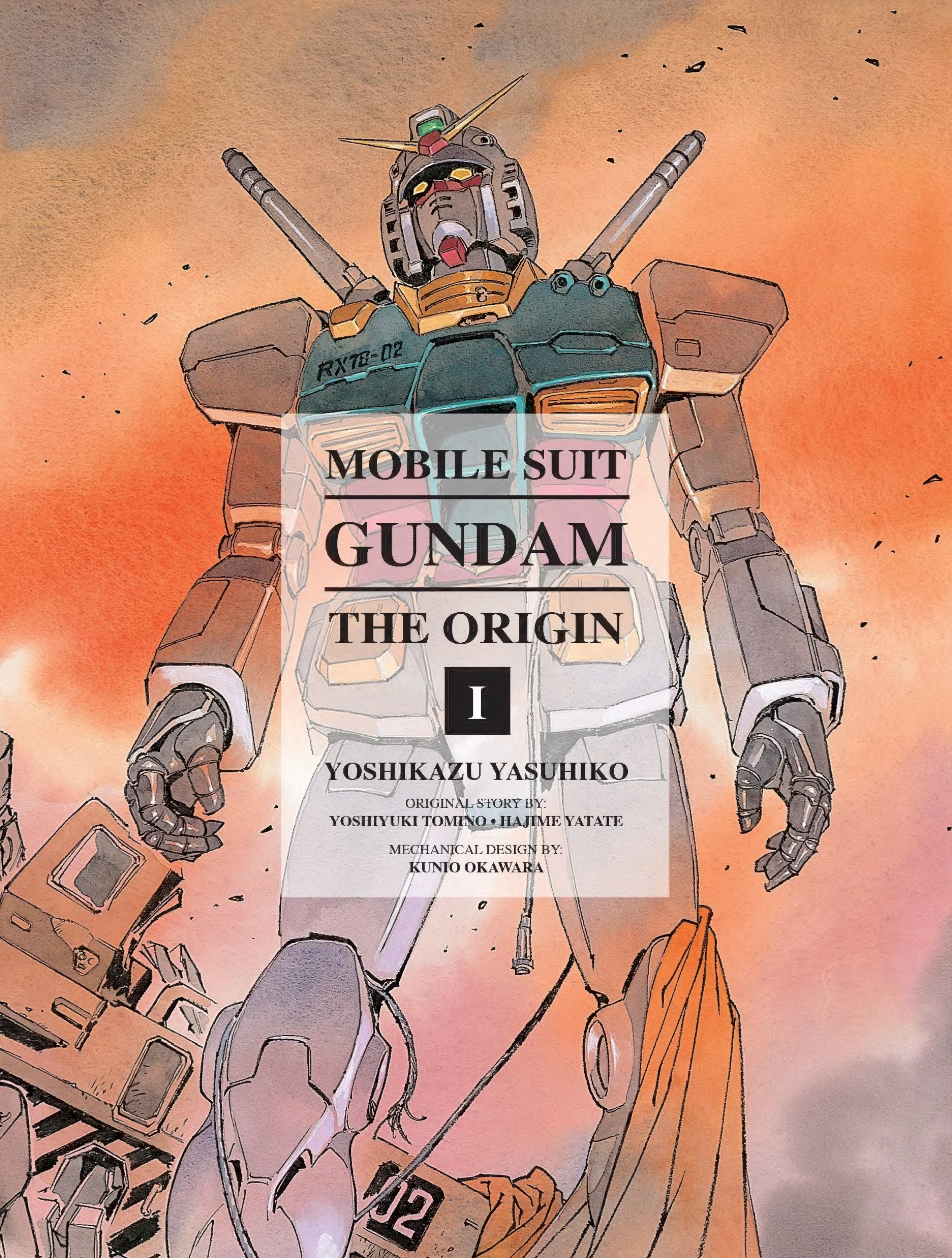


MOBILE SUIT GUNDAM THE ORIGIN

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PROLOGUE

Humanity

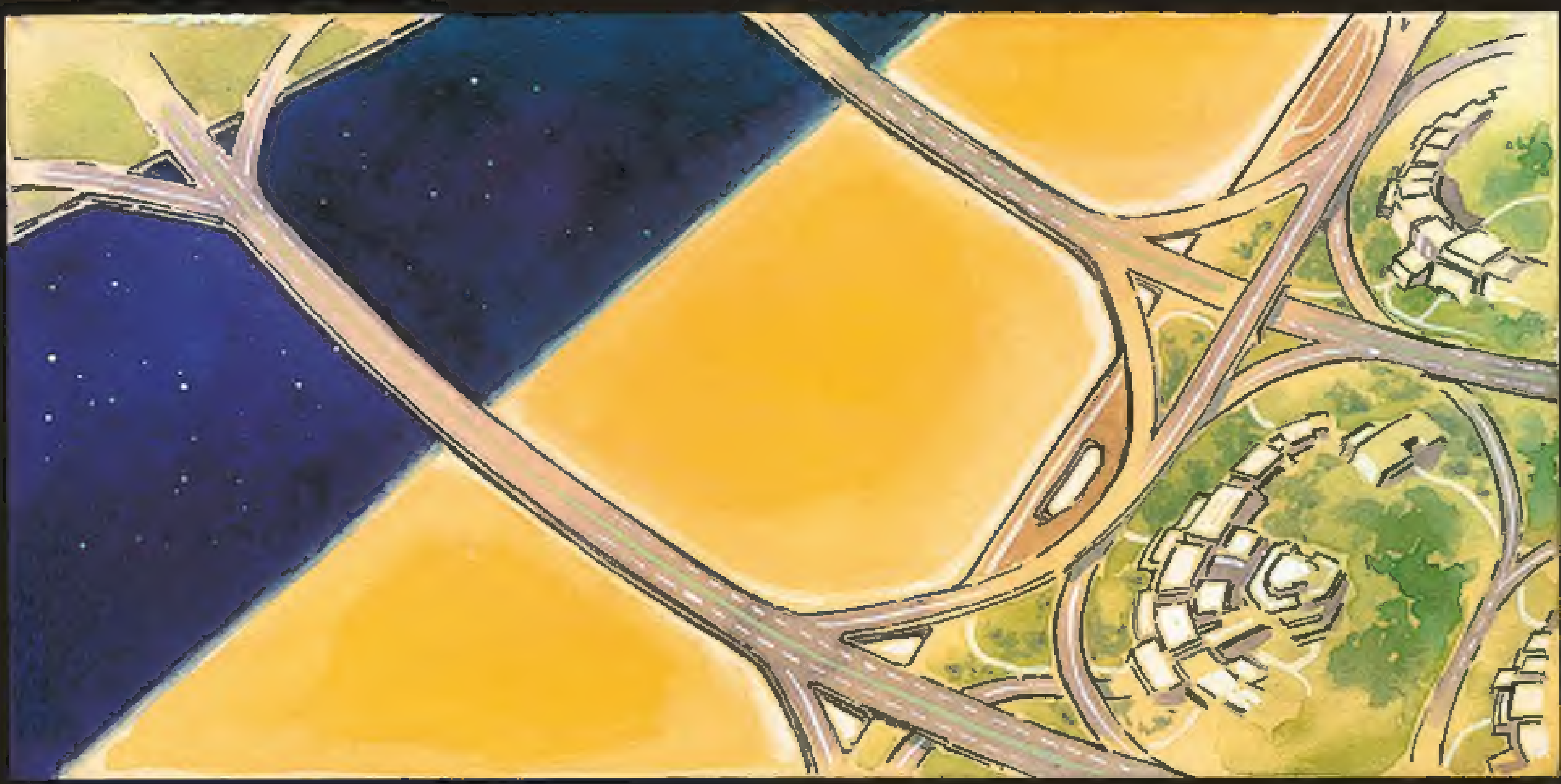
had been emigrating
excess populations to space

for over half
a century.



Hundreds of enormous space
colonies floated in orbit around
the Earth.





On the terraformed inner walls of the great cylinders,

people found new homes.




Millions of space colonists lived there, had children, and
passed on.

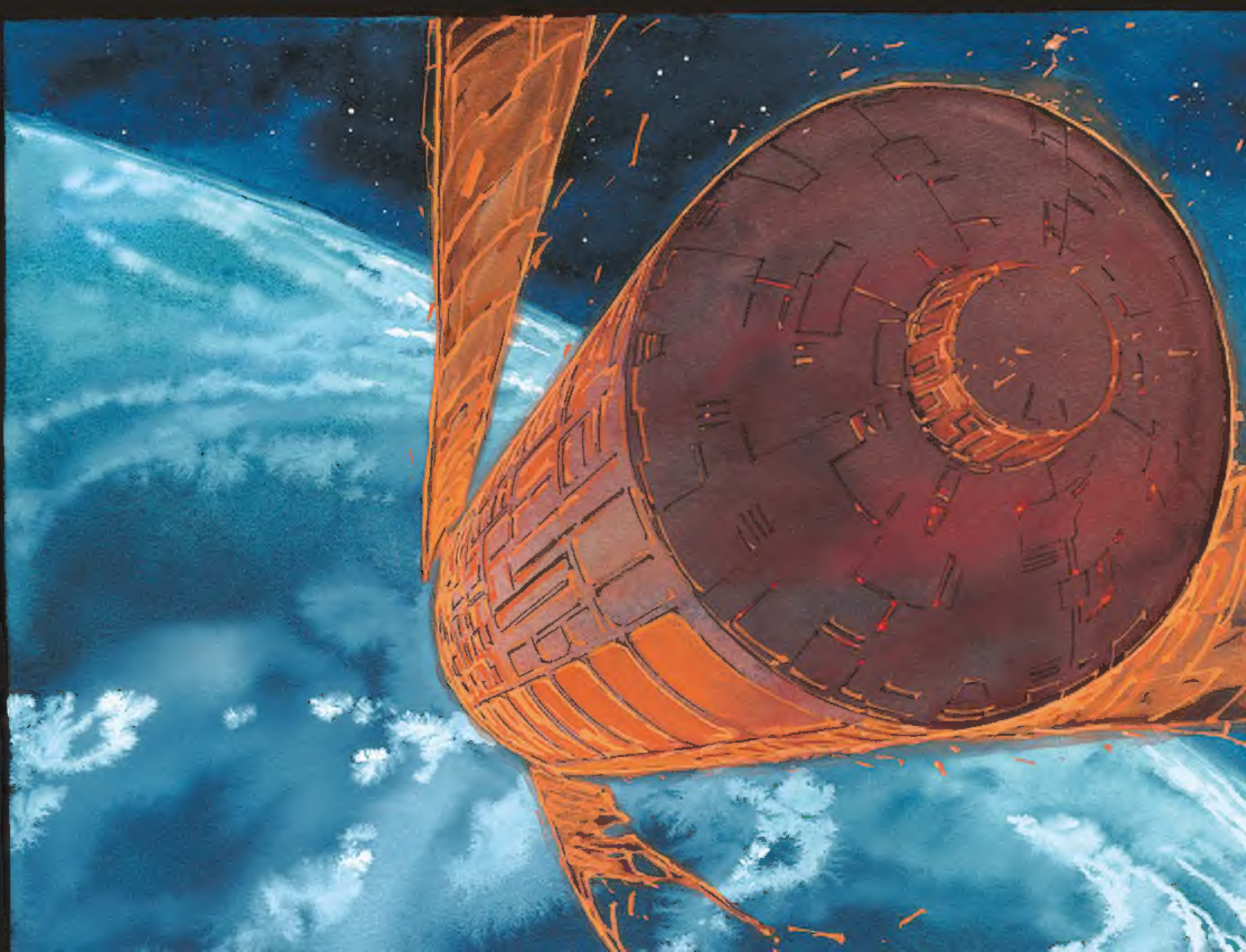

The year Universal Century 0079
Side 3, the colony farthest from the Earth, declared itself the Principality of Zeon and began to wage a war for independence from the Earth Federation.





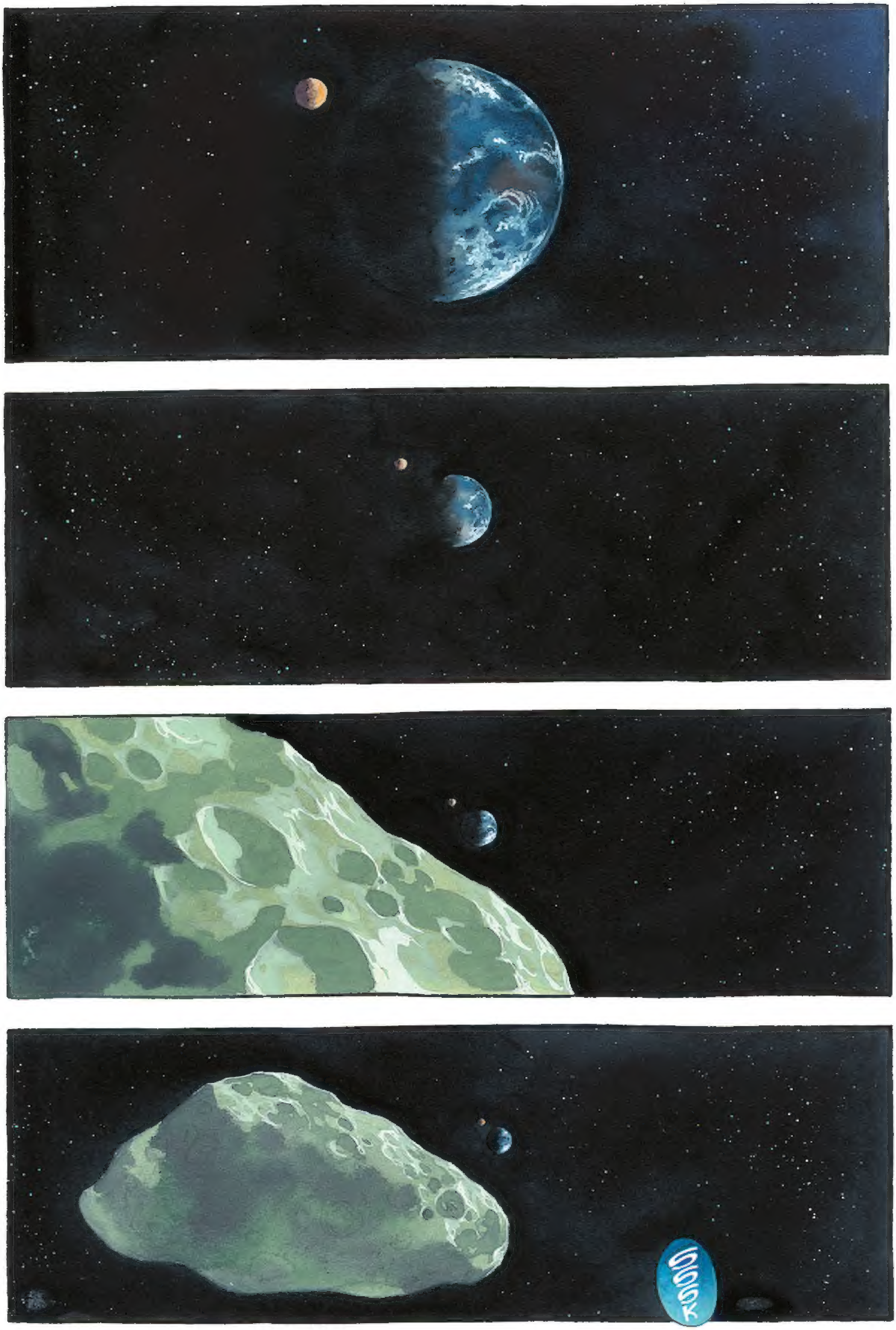
In scarcely over a month of fighting, Principality and Federation together slaughtered

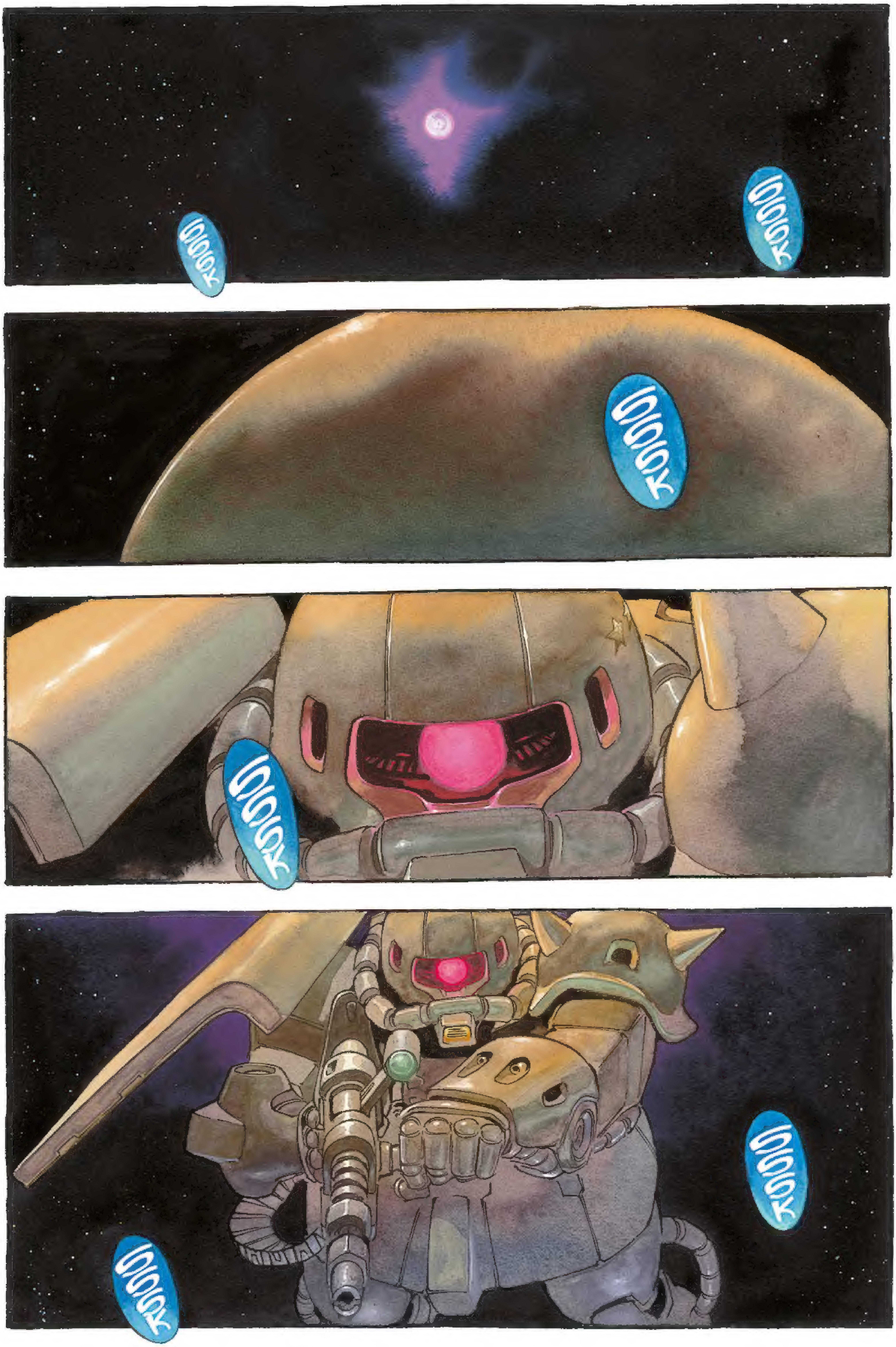
half of humanity's total population.

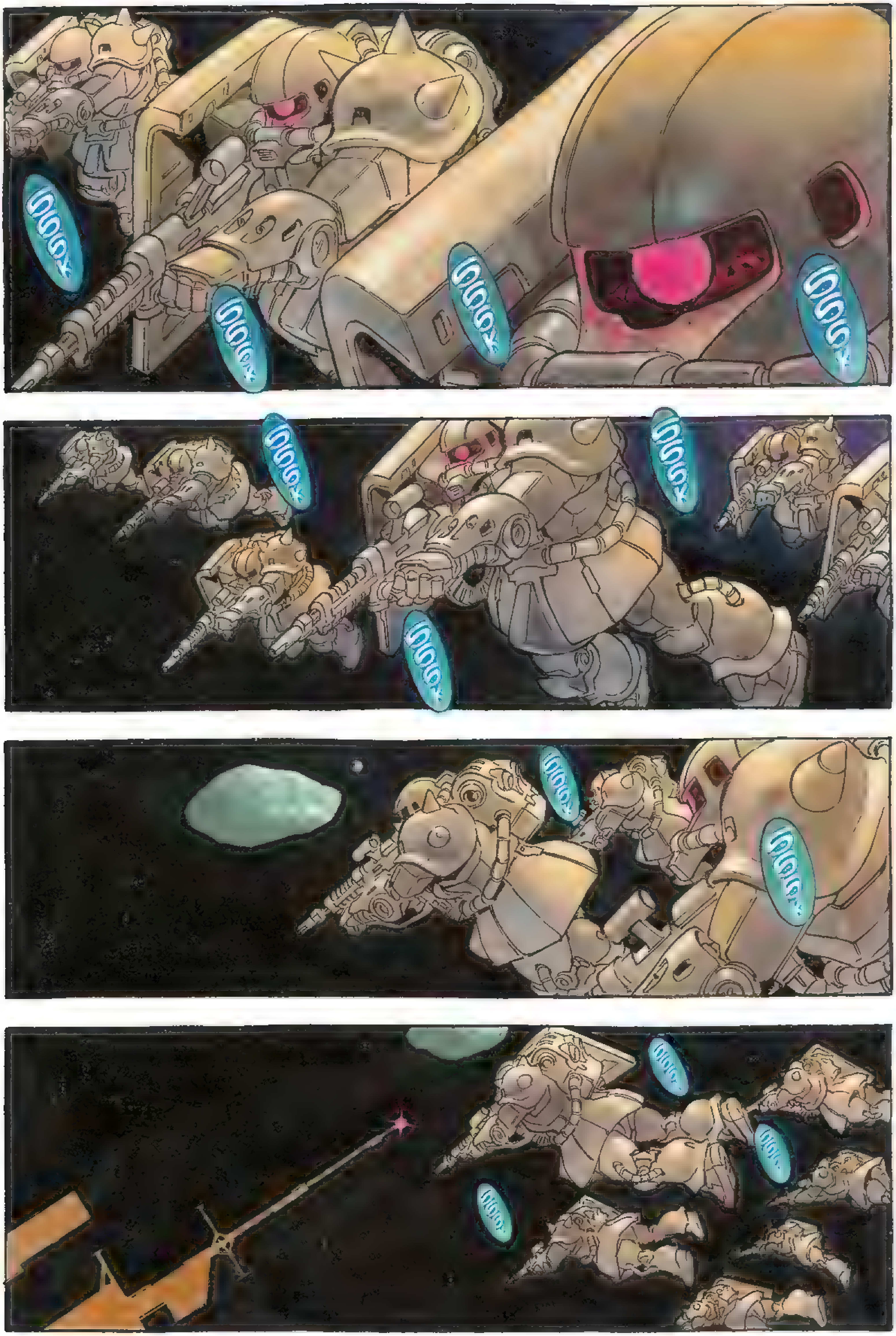


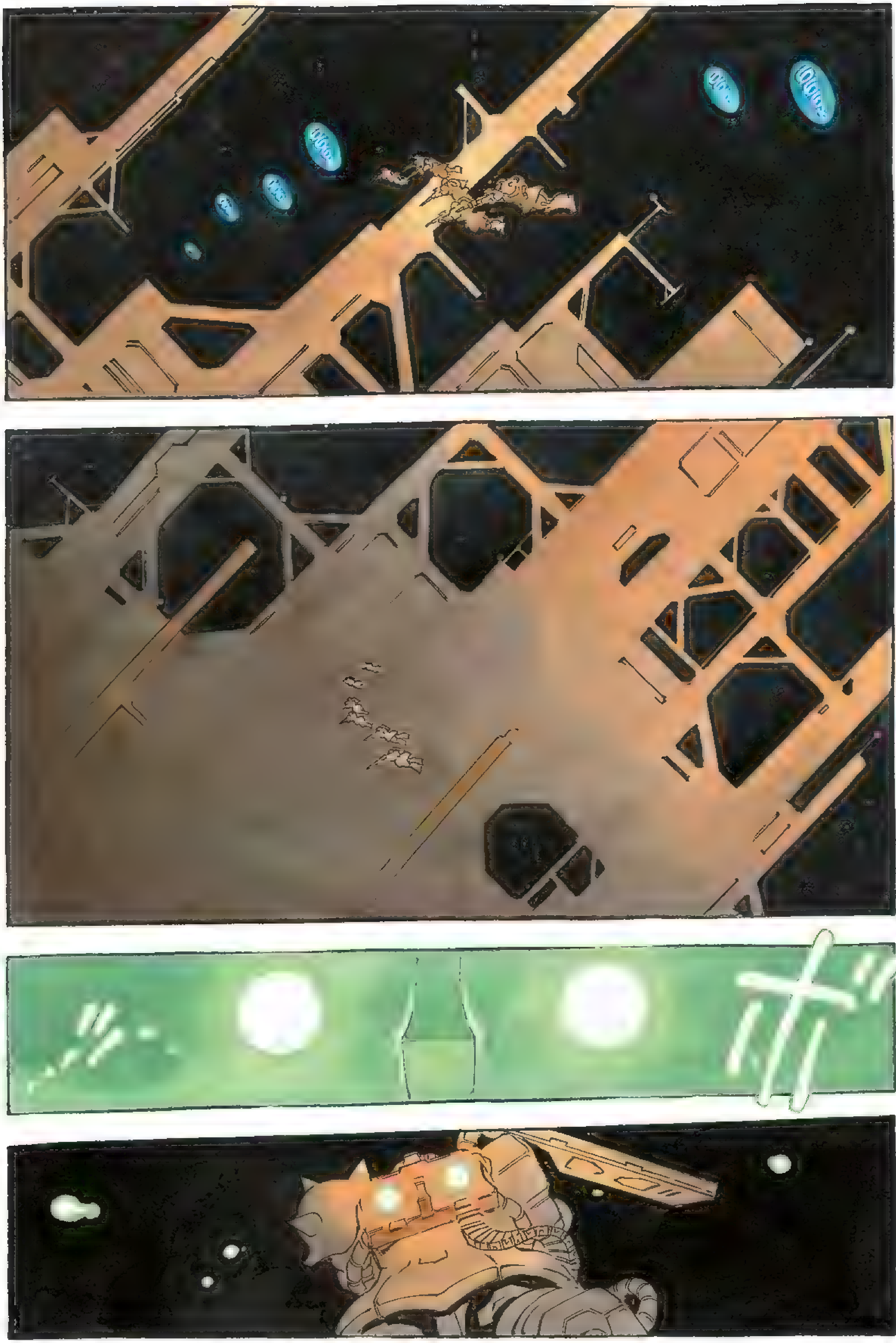

All men grew to fear
their own deeds.
The war entered a stalemate,
and eight months went by...

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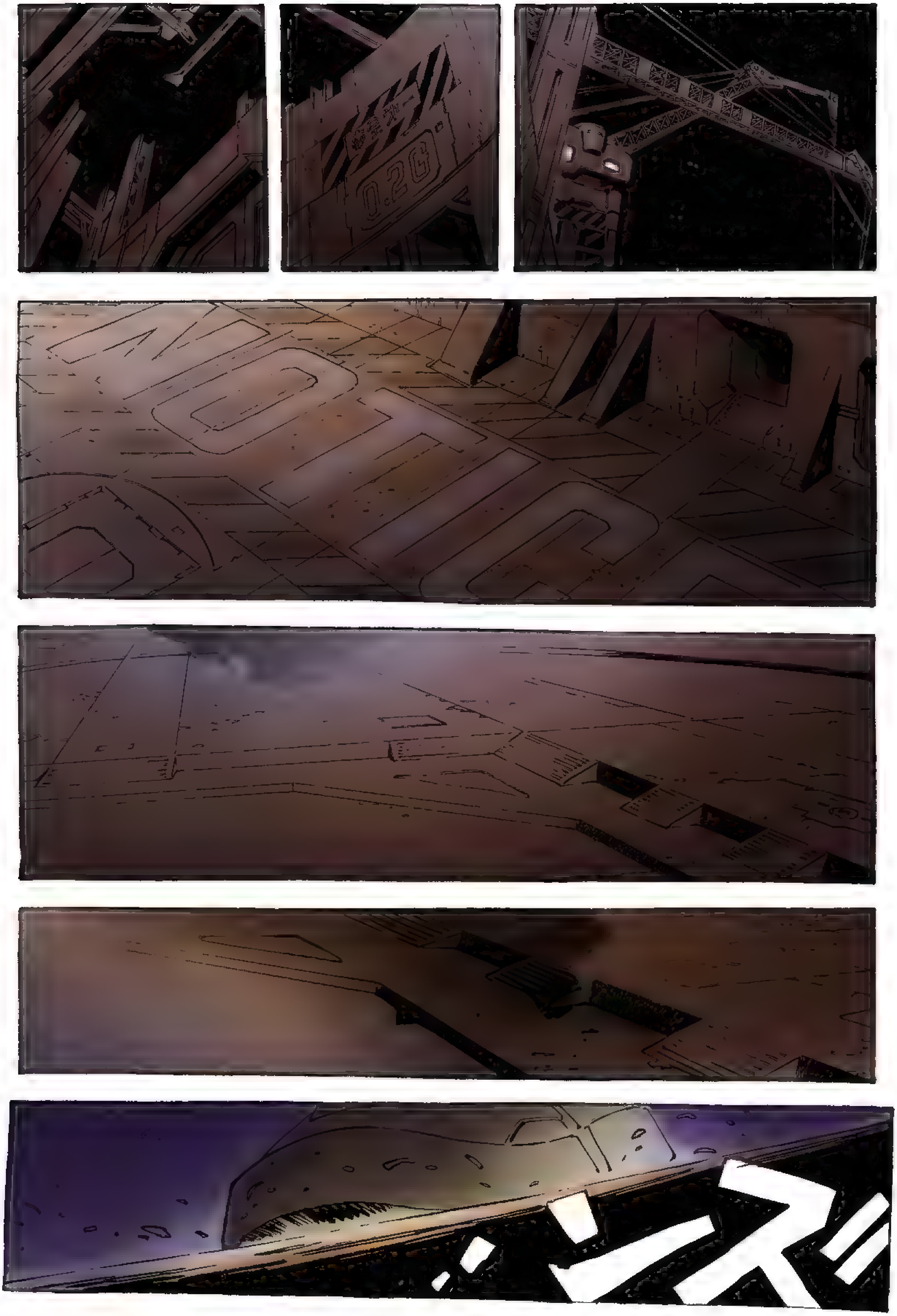


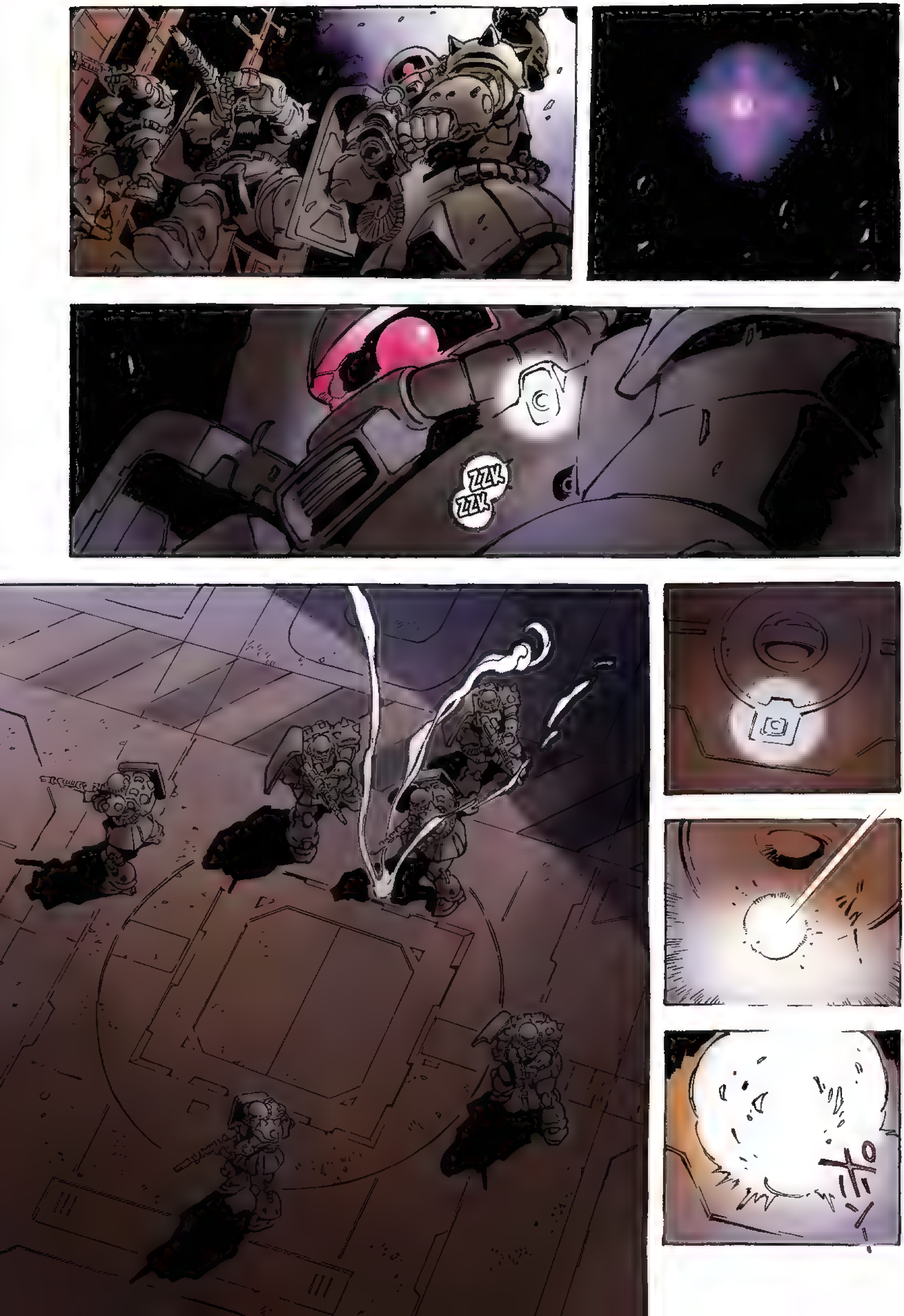


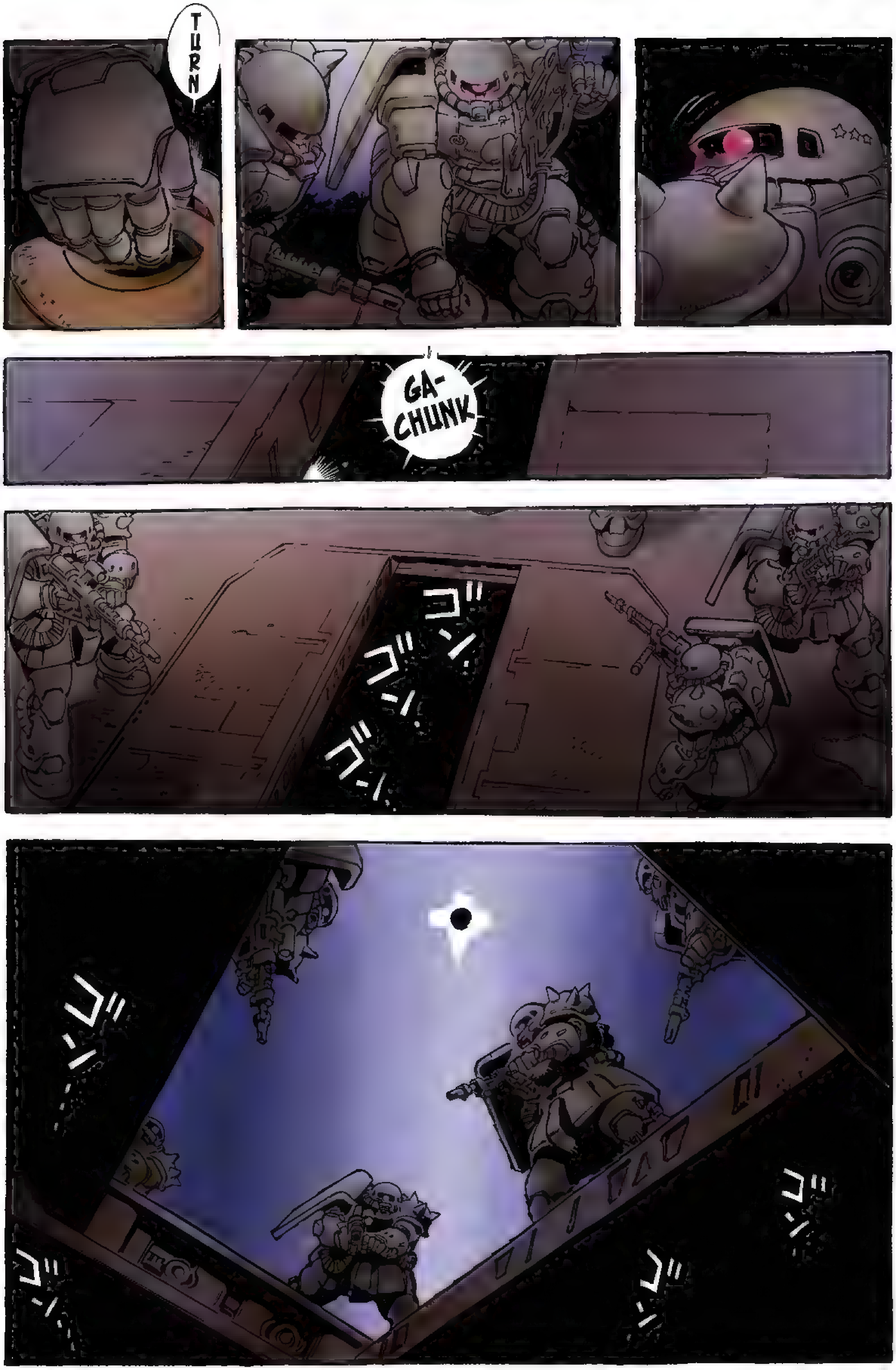



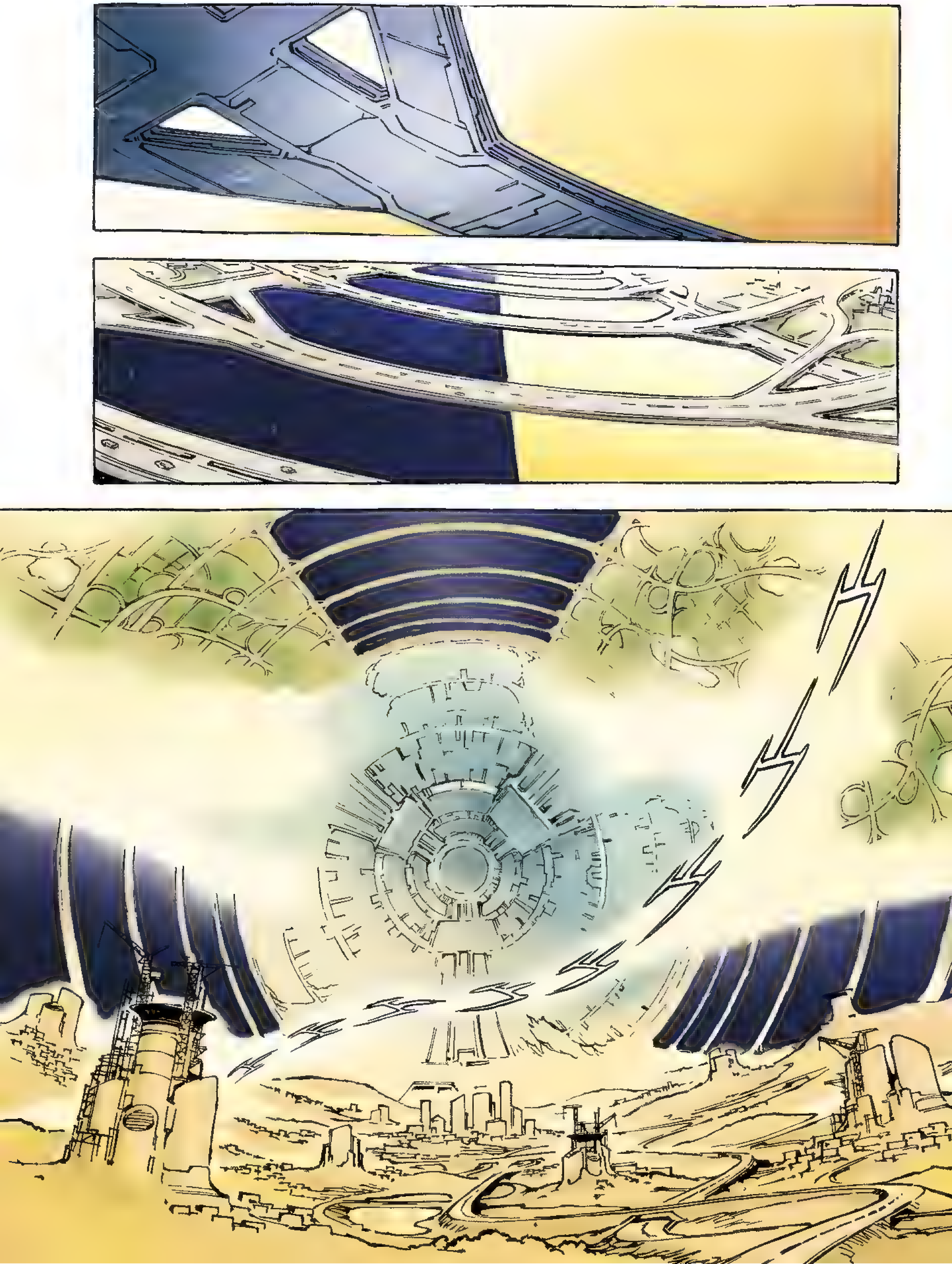


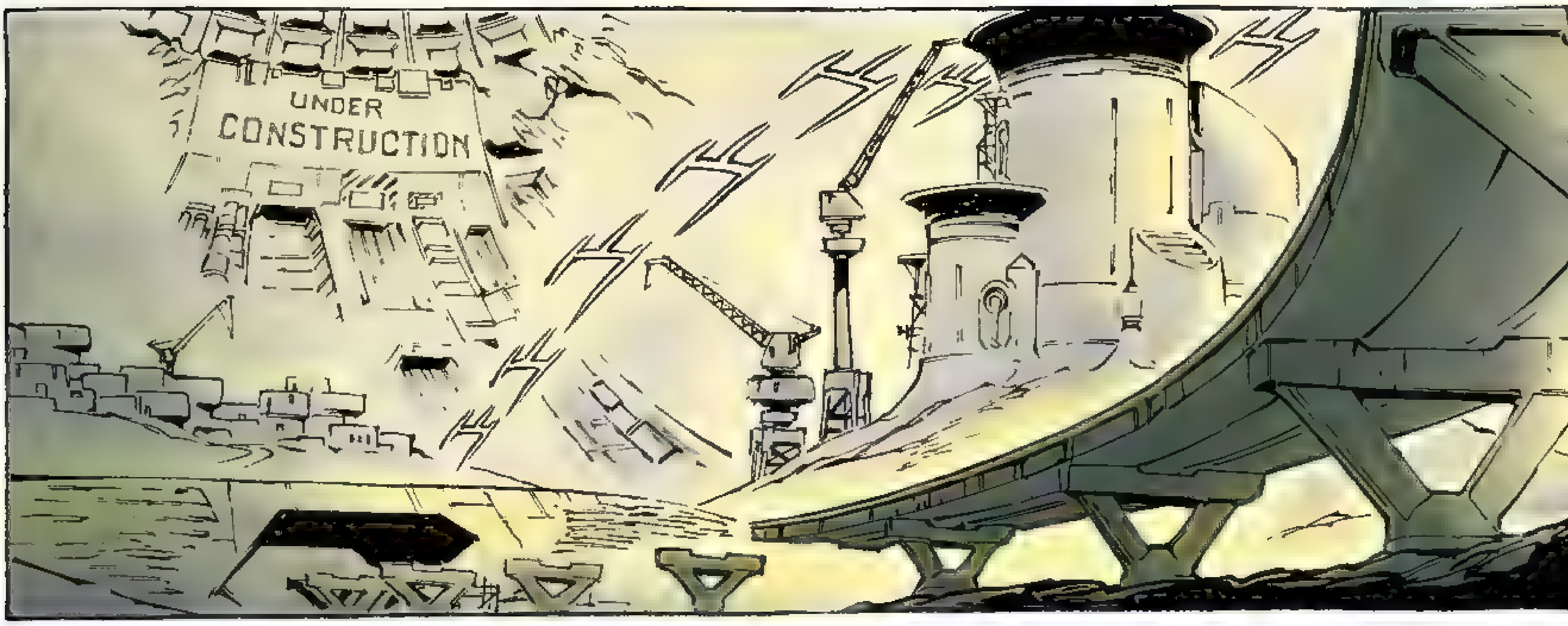

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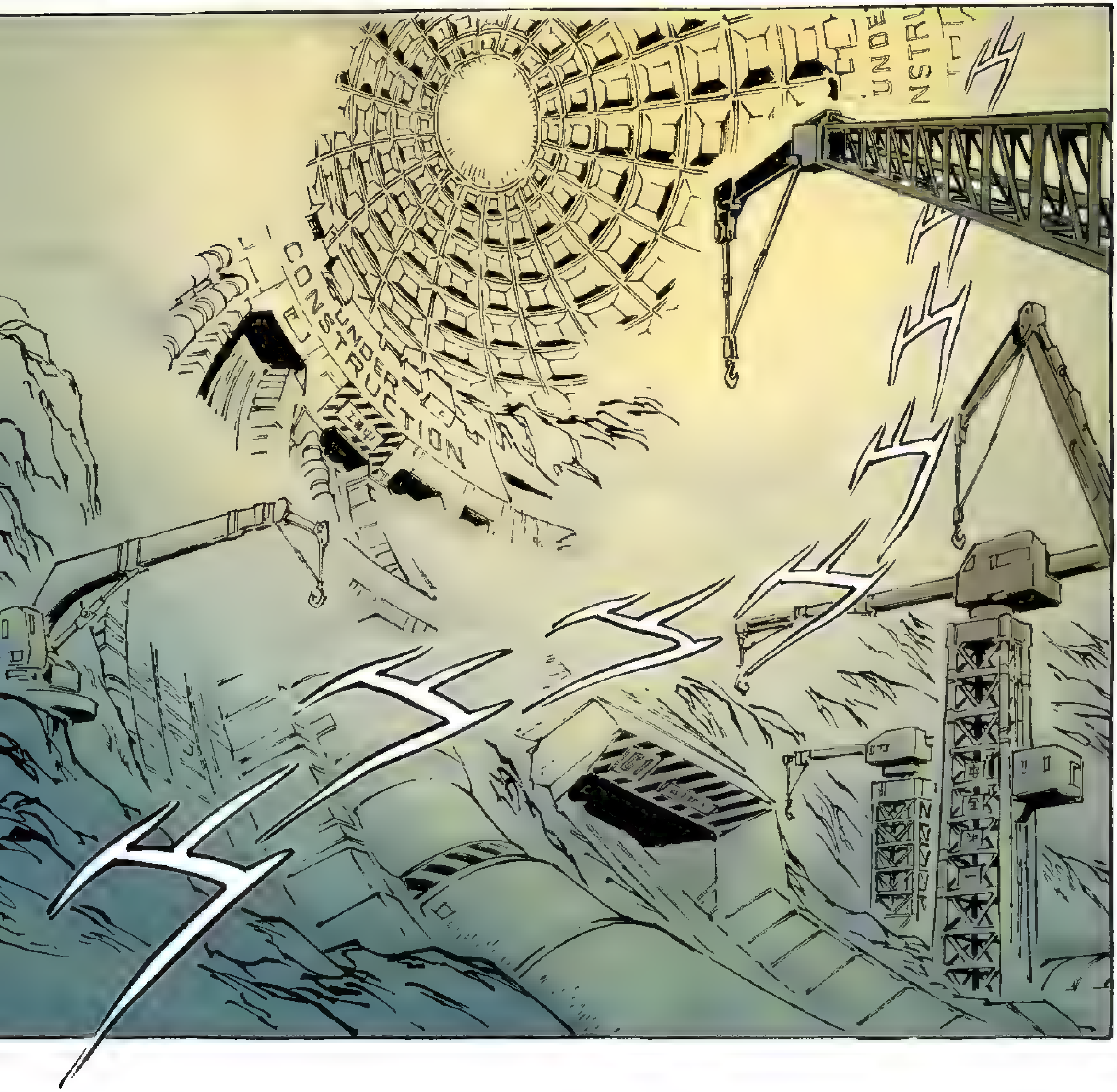

ZZK
ZZK

TURN
GA-CHUNK
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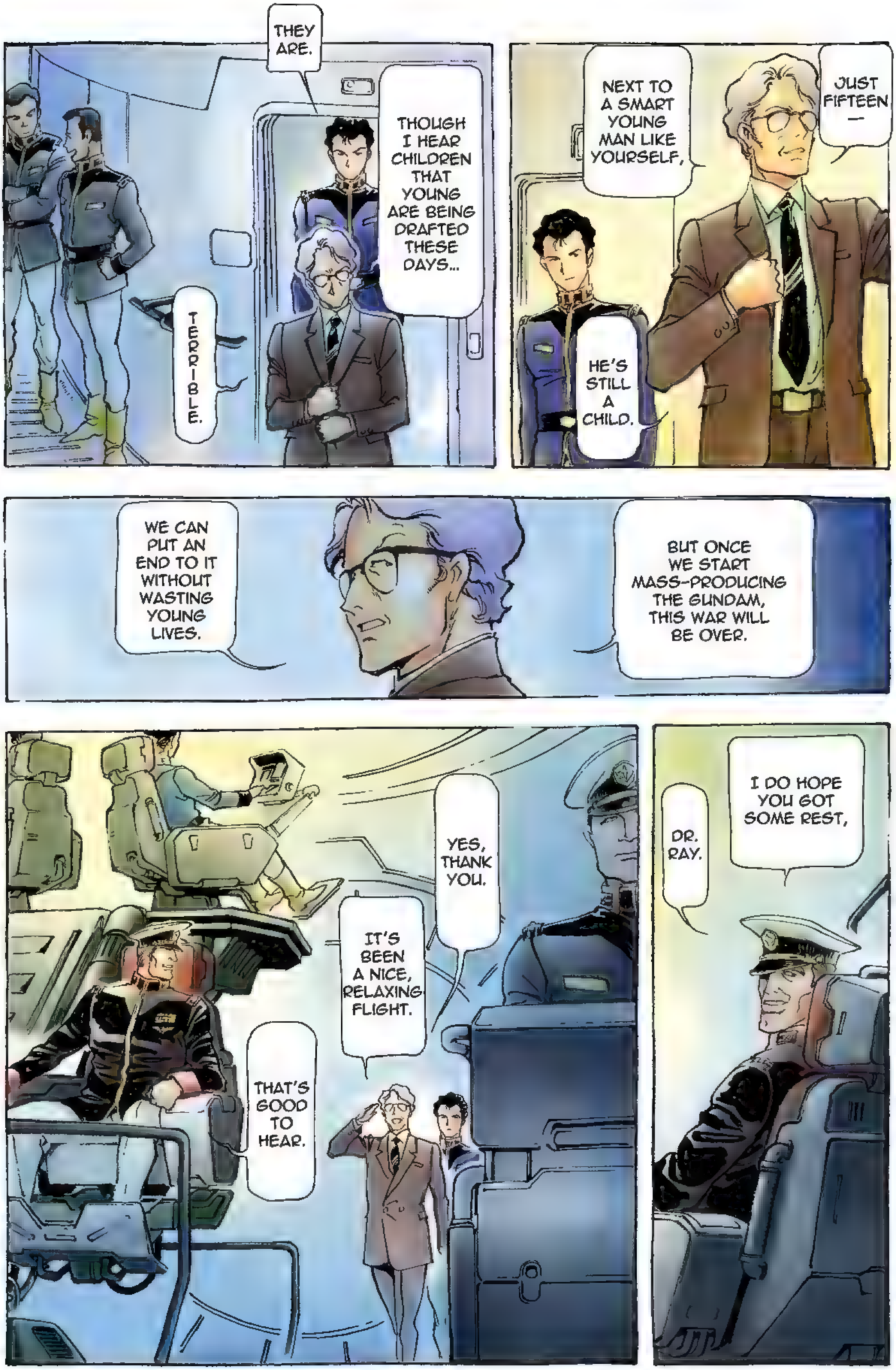

MASTER SERGEANT, THERE'S A SIREN GOING OFF!
CALM DOWN!
IT'S ON THE OTHER SIDE OF THE BARRIER.
A SHIP JUST DOCKED AT THE BAY.
DO YOU THINK IT'S THE "TROJAN HORSE," SIR?
GSHK
THAT IS—
LIKELY...

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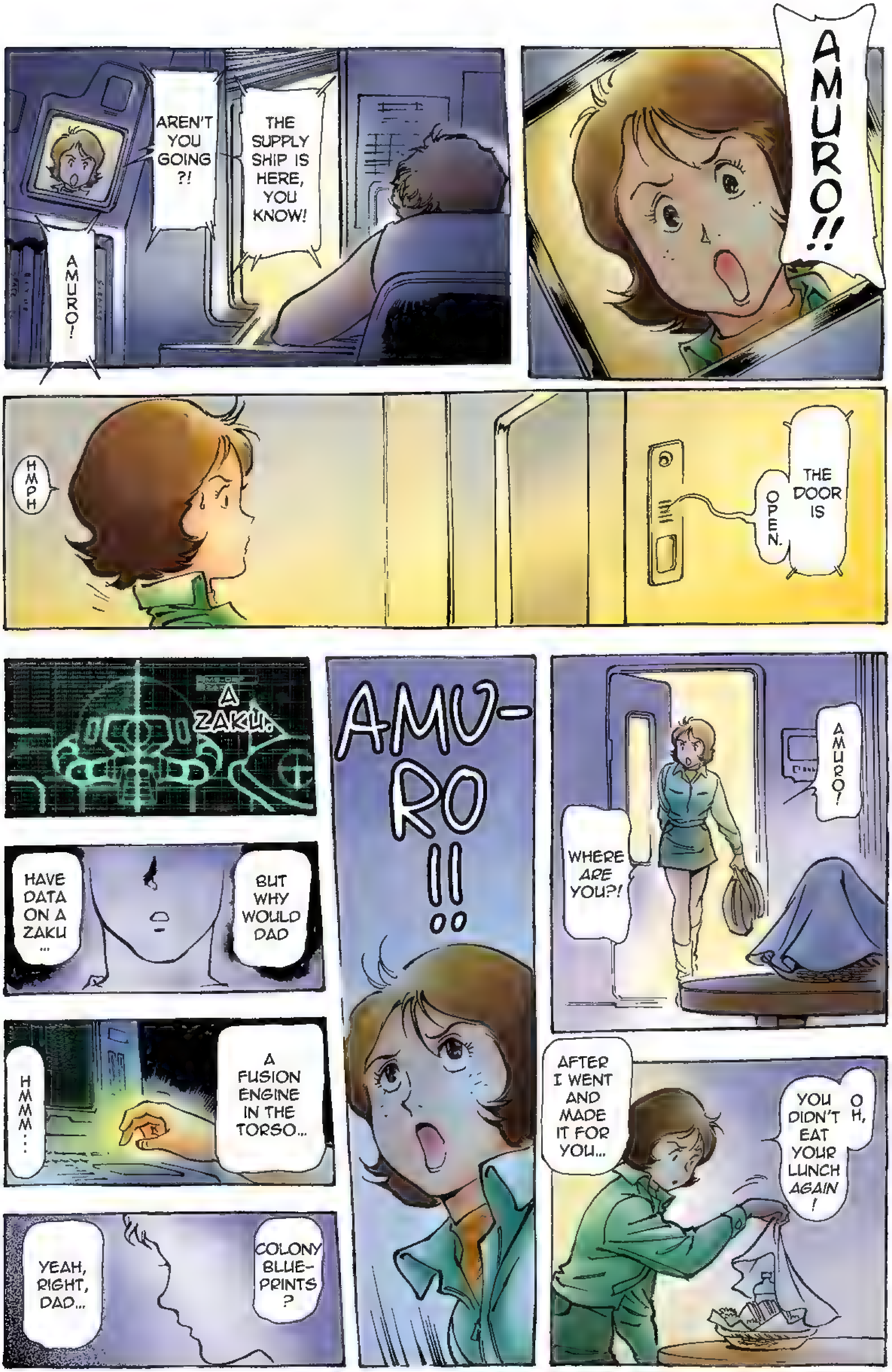

IS THIS IT?
OH-HO.
DOCKING COM-PLETE!
CLOSE THE MAIN GATE!
CAN'T BELIEVE IT ESCAPED EARTH'S GRAVITATIONAL FIELD...
LOOK AT THIS THING.
UNWIELDY.

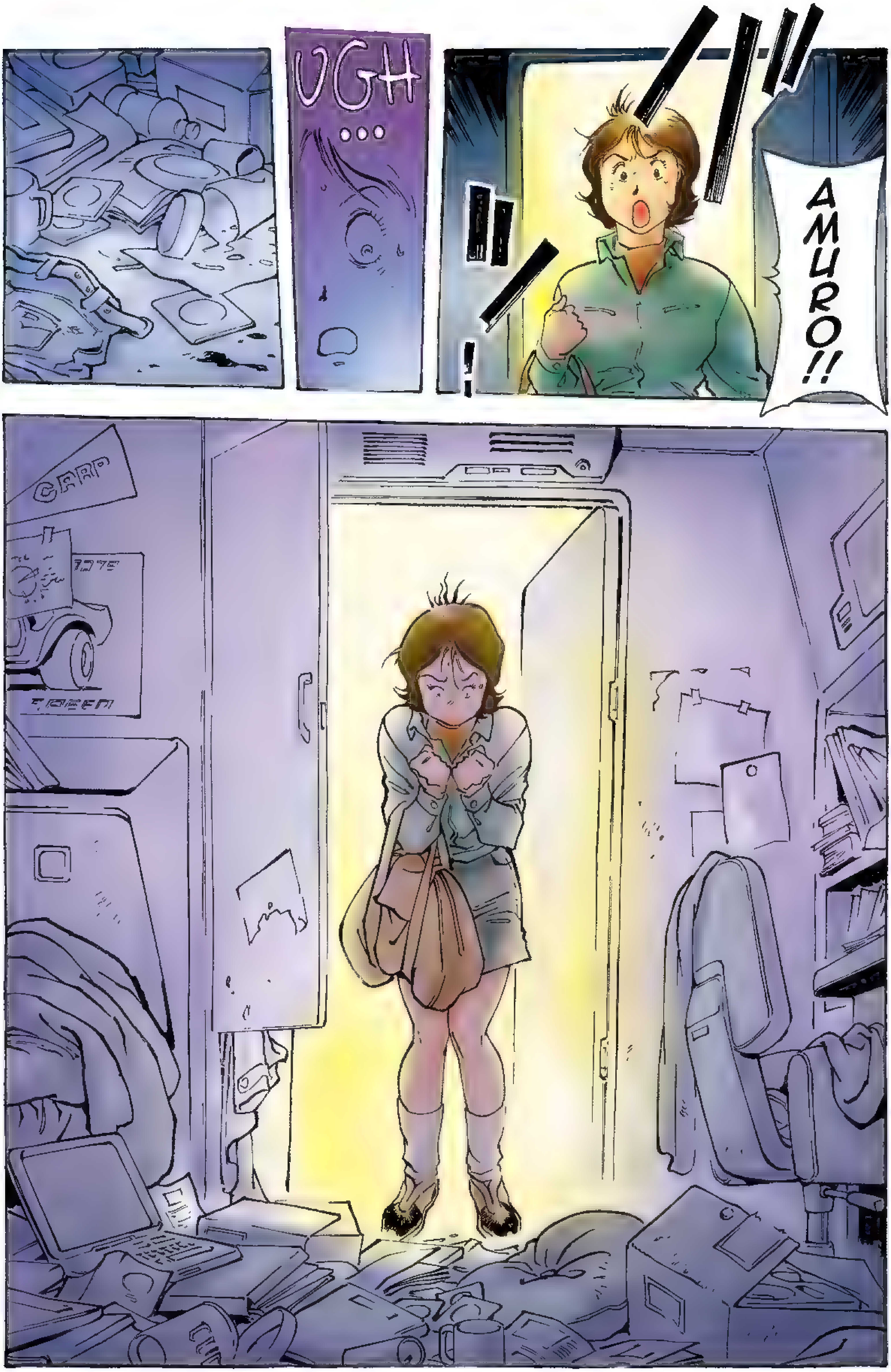

DR. RAY,
WE'VE MADE PORT AT SIDE 7, SIR!
THE CAPTAIN WOULD LIKE TO SEE YOU.
WOULD YOU PLEASE COME TO THE BRIDGE?
YES,
OF COURSE.
LIEUTENANT JUNIOR GRADE BRIGHT,
WAS IT?
HAVE YOU BEEN ON SUPPLY DUTY LONG?
NO, SIR!
I USED TO BE ON THE FRONT.
WELL, THIS SHIP HAS A CRUCIAL MISSION.
NOT UN-LIKE ...
...BEING AT THE FRONT, I THINK.
IS THAT YOUR SON, SIR?
HM?
YES.

THEY ARE.
THOUGH I HEAR CHILDREN THAT YOUNG ARE BEING DRAFTED THESE DAYS...
TERRIBLE.
JUST FIFTEEN —
NEXT TO A SMART YOUNG MAN LIKE YOURSELF,
HE'S STILL A CHILD.
BUT ONCE WE START MASS-PRODUCING THE GUNDAM, THIS WAR WILL BE OVER.
WE CAN PUT AN END TO IT WITHOUT WASTING YOUNG LIVES.
I DO HOPE YOU GOT SOME REST,
DR. RAY.
YES, THANK YOU.
IT'S BEEN A NICE, RELAXING FLIGHT.
THAT'S GOOD TO HEAR.

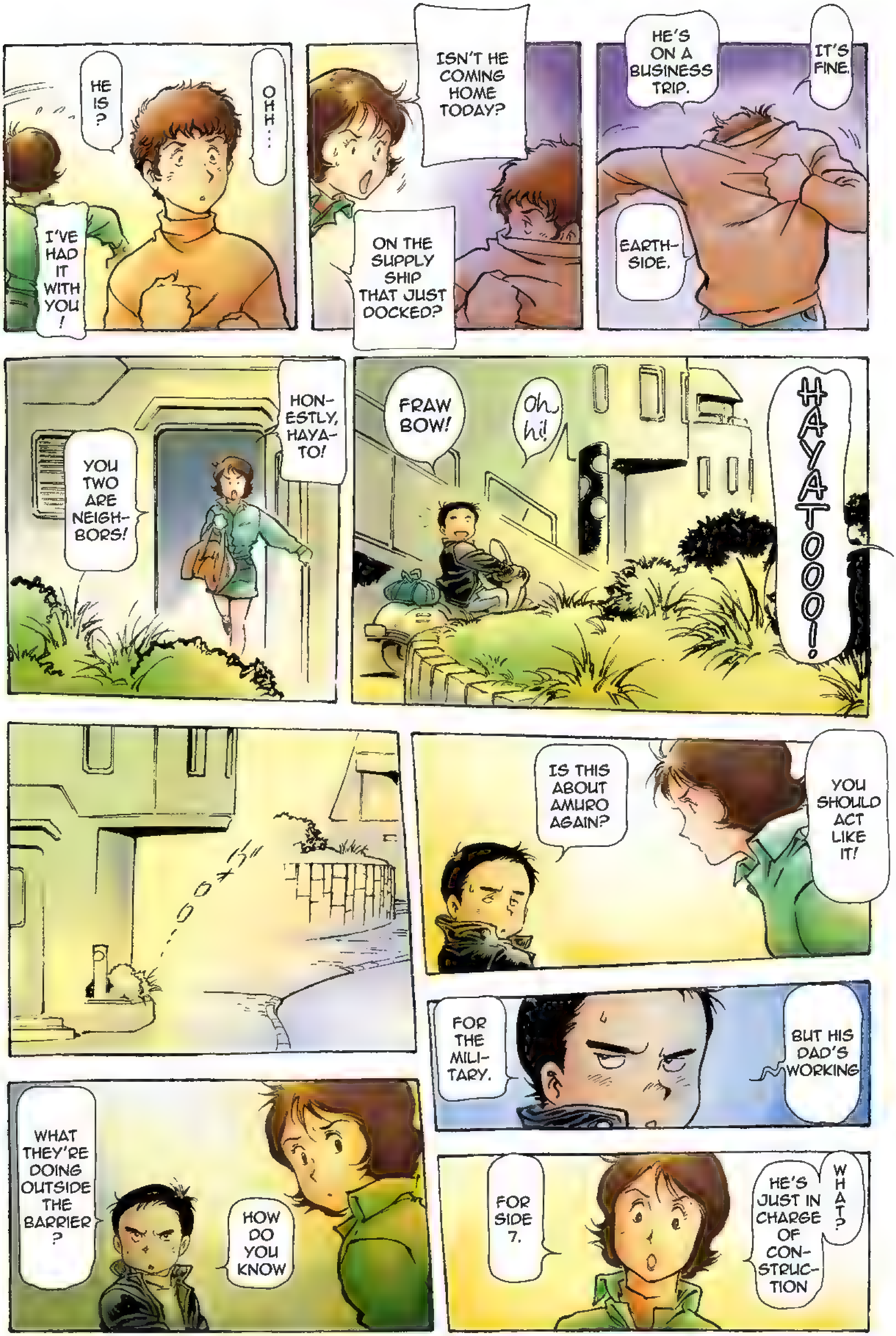

AND WHAT ABOUT THE ZEON SHIP
THAT TAILED US HERE?
SO YOU DID NOTICE.
A MU-SAI...
ISN'T IT?
IT'S AT BERTH, DOCTOR.
BY TREATY, MILITARY SHIPS ARE NOT ALLOWED TO DOCK AT SIDE 7.
SO THE PROBLEM IS OUR RETURN FLIGHT...
DO YOU THINK
THEY'LL TRY ANYTHING ?
THIS IS A CIVILIAN SUPPLY SHIP.
IF THEY ARE SHAME-LESS ENOUGH TO ATTACK US...
...
HM ...

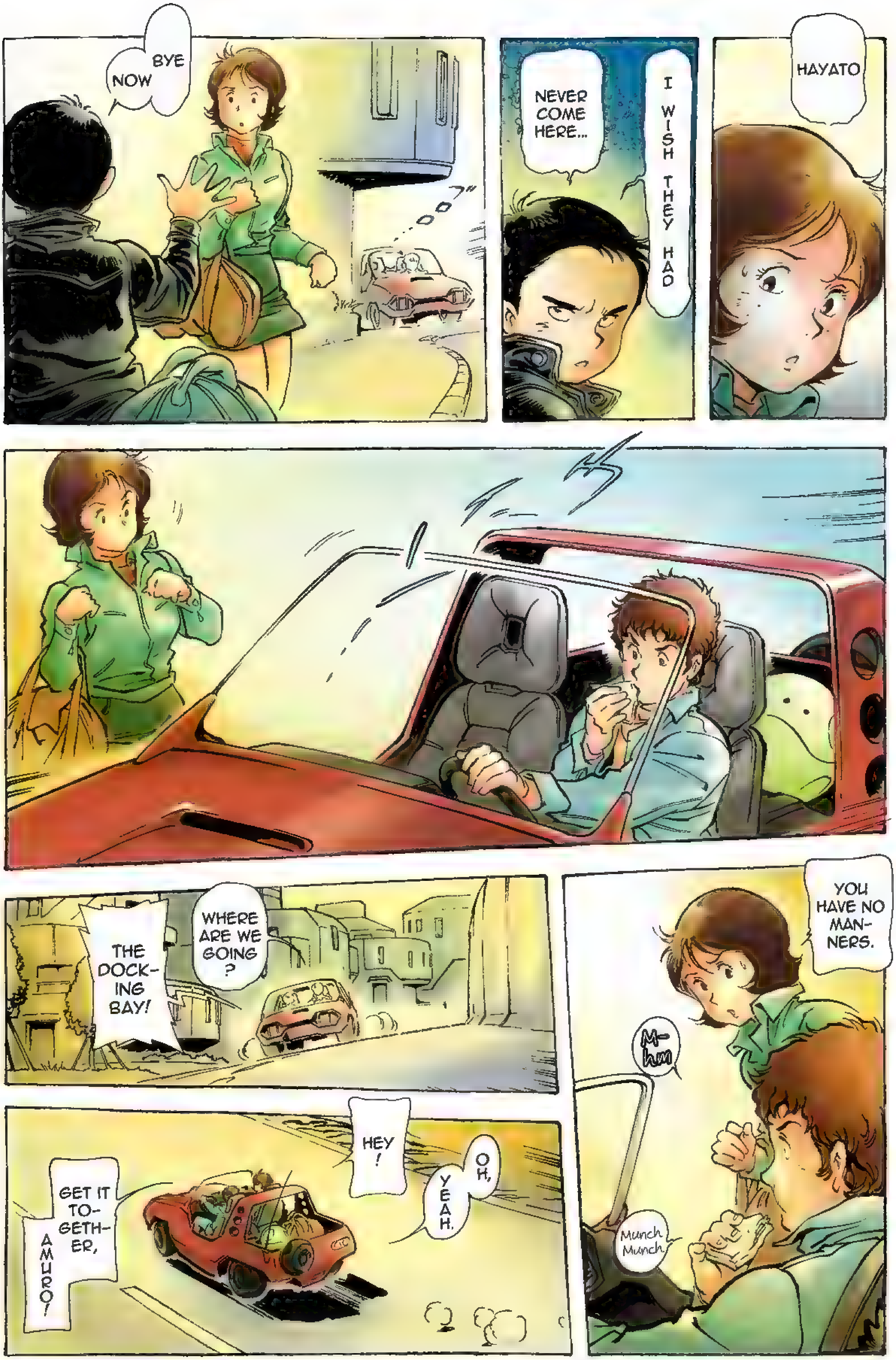

AMURO!
AMURO!
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SECURITY LAYER...
CLOSE
ANOTHER
RX-78... GUNDAM ...
MORE OF THESE WEIRD NUMBERS ...
AND SCHE-MATICS ...
MAN, WHAT IS IT
WITH THIS FILE?

AMURO!!
AMURO!
AREN'T YOU GOING?!
THE SUPPLY SHIP IS HERE, YOU KNOW!
THE DOOR IS OPEN.
HMPH
AMURO?
WHERE ARE YOU?!
AMU-RO!!
A ZAKU.
BUT WHY WOULD DAD
HAVE DATA ON A ZAKU...
A FUSION ENGINE IN THE TORSO...
HMMM...
COLONY BLUE-PRINTS?
YEAH, RIGHT, DAD...
OH, YOU DIDN'T EAT YOUR LUNCH AGAIN!
AFTER I WENT AND MADE IT FOR YOU...

UGH...
AMURO!!
CARP

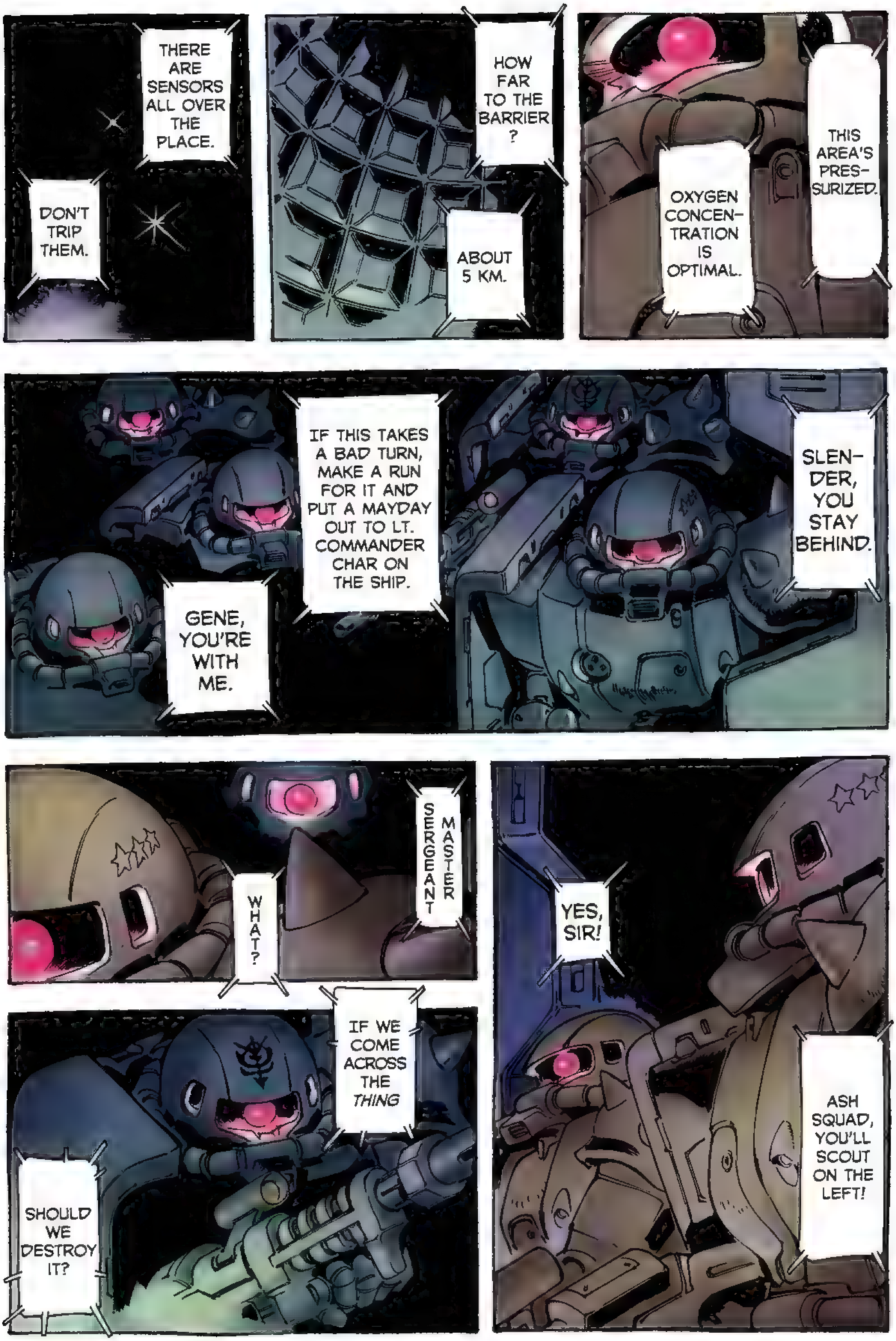

EEEK!
Hey.
Good morning!
Good morning!
Good morning!
Fraw!
WHAT'S THE MATTER,
FRAW?
FILTHY!
SMELLY!
PUT SOME CLOTHES ON!
NOW!
SHEESH
HOW DID IT GET LIKE THIS IN HERE?
I JUST PICKED UP FOR YOU THE OTHER DAY...
ANYWAY,
ARE YOU ALLOWED TO MESS AROUND IN YOUR DAD'S STUDY LIKE THIS?
WON'T HE GET UPSET?
Fraw Bow!
Fraw Bow!

OHH...
HE IS?
I'VE HAD IT WITH YOU!
ISN'T HE COMING HOME TODAY?
ON THE SUPPLY SHIP THAT JUST DOCKED?
HE'S ON A BUSINESS TRIP.
IT'S FINE.
EARTH-SIDE.
HON-ESTLY, HAYA-TO!
YOU TWO ARE NEIGH-BORS!
FRAW BOW!
Oh, hi!
HAYATOOO!
IS THIS ABOUT AMURO AGAIN?
YOU SHOULD ACT LIKE IT!
BUT HIS DAD'S WORKING
FOR THE MILI-TARY.
WHAT THEY'RE DOING OUTSIDE THE BARRIER?
HOW DO YOU KNOW
WHAT?
HE'S JUST IN CHARGE OF CON-STRUC-TION
FOR SIDE 7.


BYE NOW
NEVER COME HERE...
I WISH THEY HAD
HAYATO
WHERE ARE WE GOING?
THE DOCK-ING BAY!
YOU HAVE NO MAN-NERS.
M-hm
Munch Munch
GET IT TO-GETH-ER, AMURO!
HEY!
OH, YEAH.

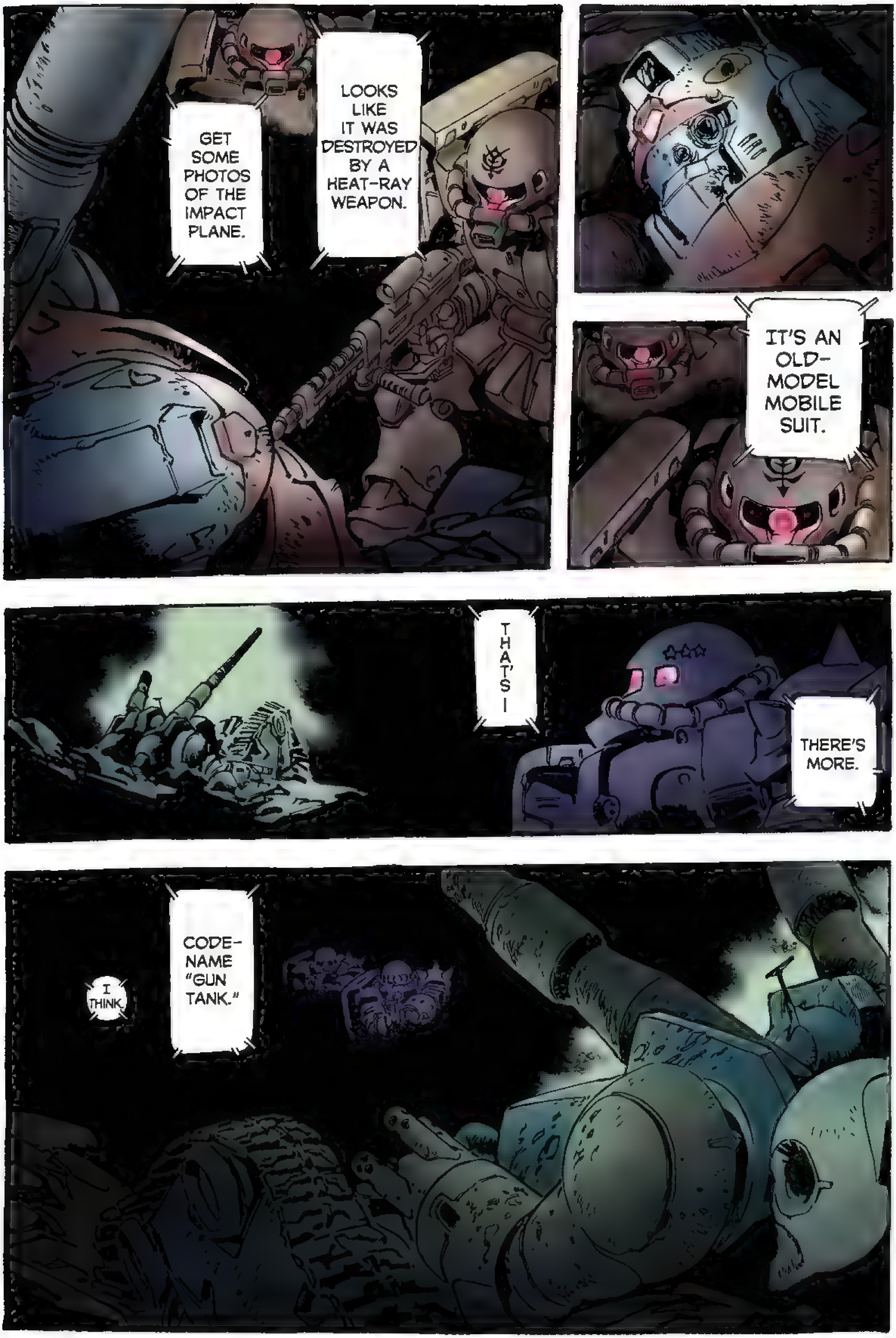

MY MOM SAID TO GET LOTS OF SUGAR AND FLOUR.
OH, AND DETER-GENT.
SUPPLIES ARE PRETTY LOW. IT'S HARD ON EVERYONE.
YEAH?
UNDER CONSTRUCTION
NOTICE
SINCE THE CON-STRUC-TION HERE
HASN'T MADE MUCH PROG-RESS...

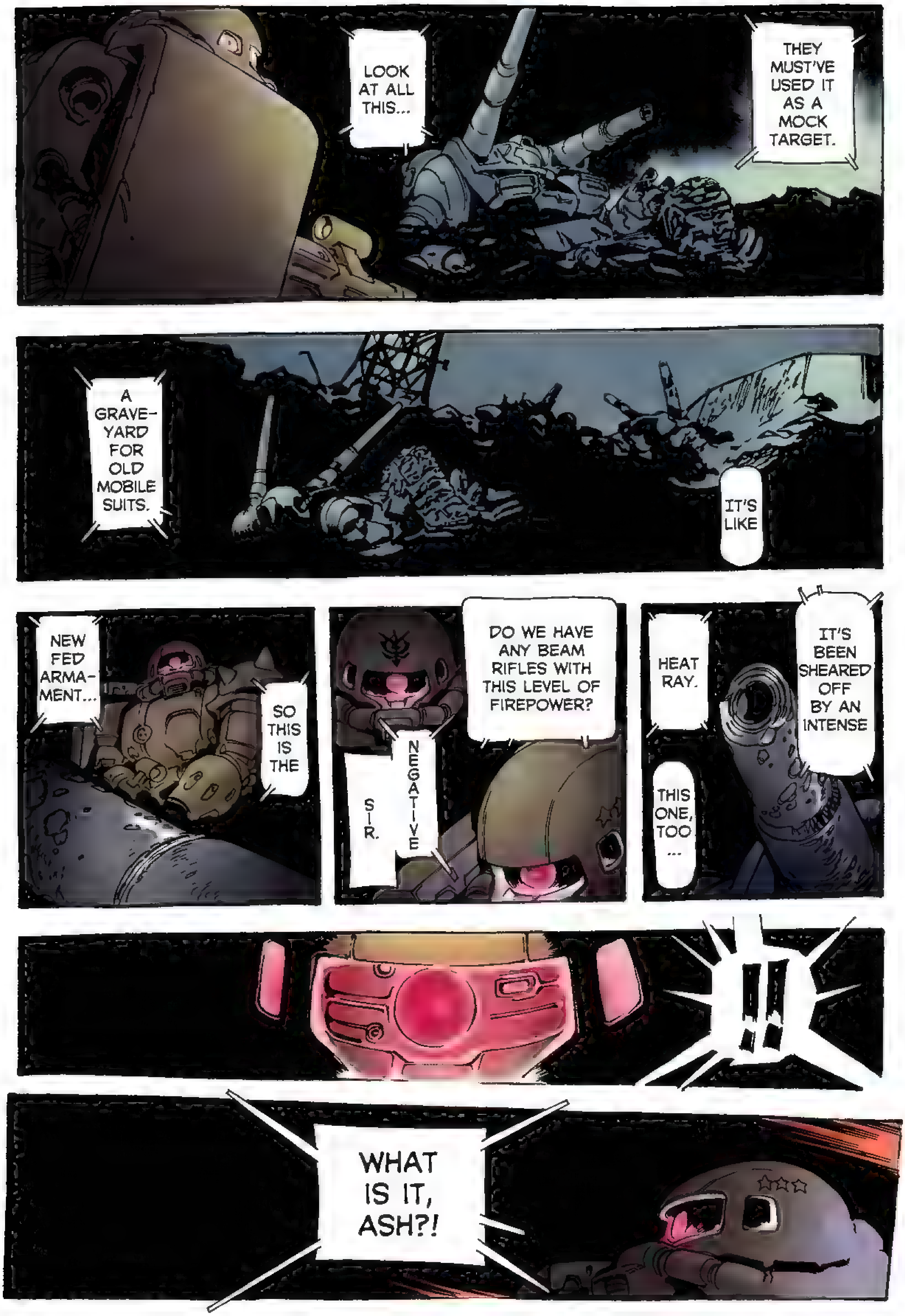

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THERE ARE SENSORS ALL OVER THE PLACE.
DON'T TRIP THEM.
HOW FAR TO THE BARRIER?
ABOUT 5 KM.
THIS AREA'S PRES-SURIZED.
OXYGEN CONCEN-TRATION IS OPTIMAL.
SLEN-DER, YOU STAY BEHIND.
IF THIS TAKES A BAD TURN, MAKE A RUN FOR IT AND PUT A MAYDAY OUT TO LT. COMMANDER CHAR ON THE SHIP.
GENE, YOU'RE WITH ME.
ASH SQUAD, YOU'LL SCOUT ON THE LEFT!
YES, SIR!
MASTER SERGEANT
WHAT?
IF WE COME ACROSS THE *THING*
SHOULD WE DESTROY IT?

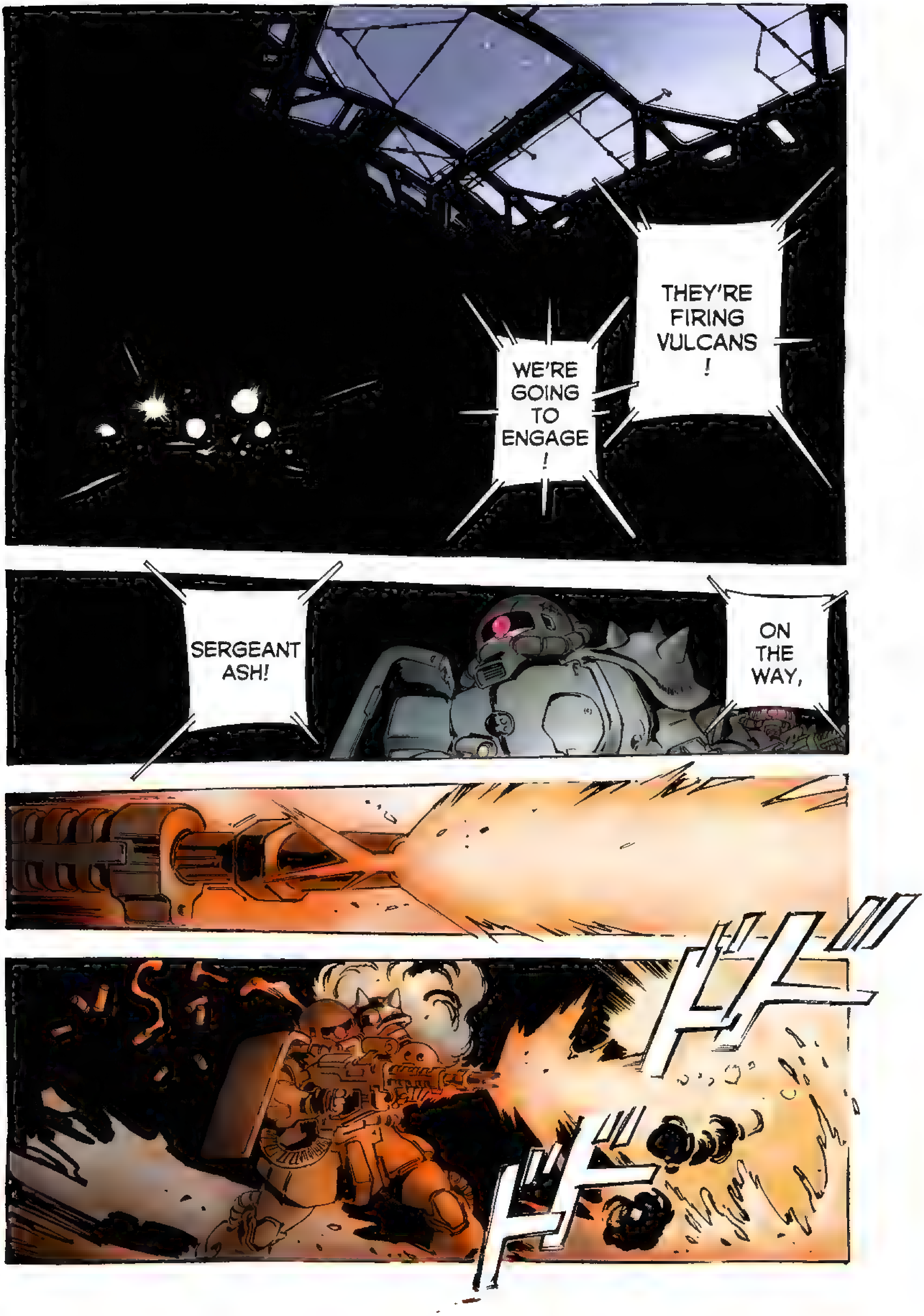

NEGATIVE!
THIS MISSION IS RECON *ONLY.*
RIGHT NOW THE LT. COMMANDER WANTS INFORMATION,
NOT ACTION.
KA-CHAK!
MOVE OUT, GENE!


RICOCHET-PROOF WALLS,
OBSERVATION TOWER—
CONSTRUCTION BLOCK, HUH?
WHAT A JOKE...
MASTER SERGEANT!

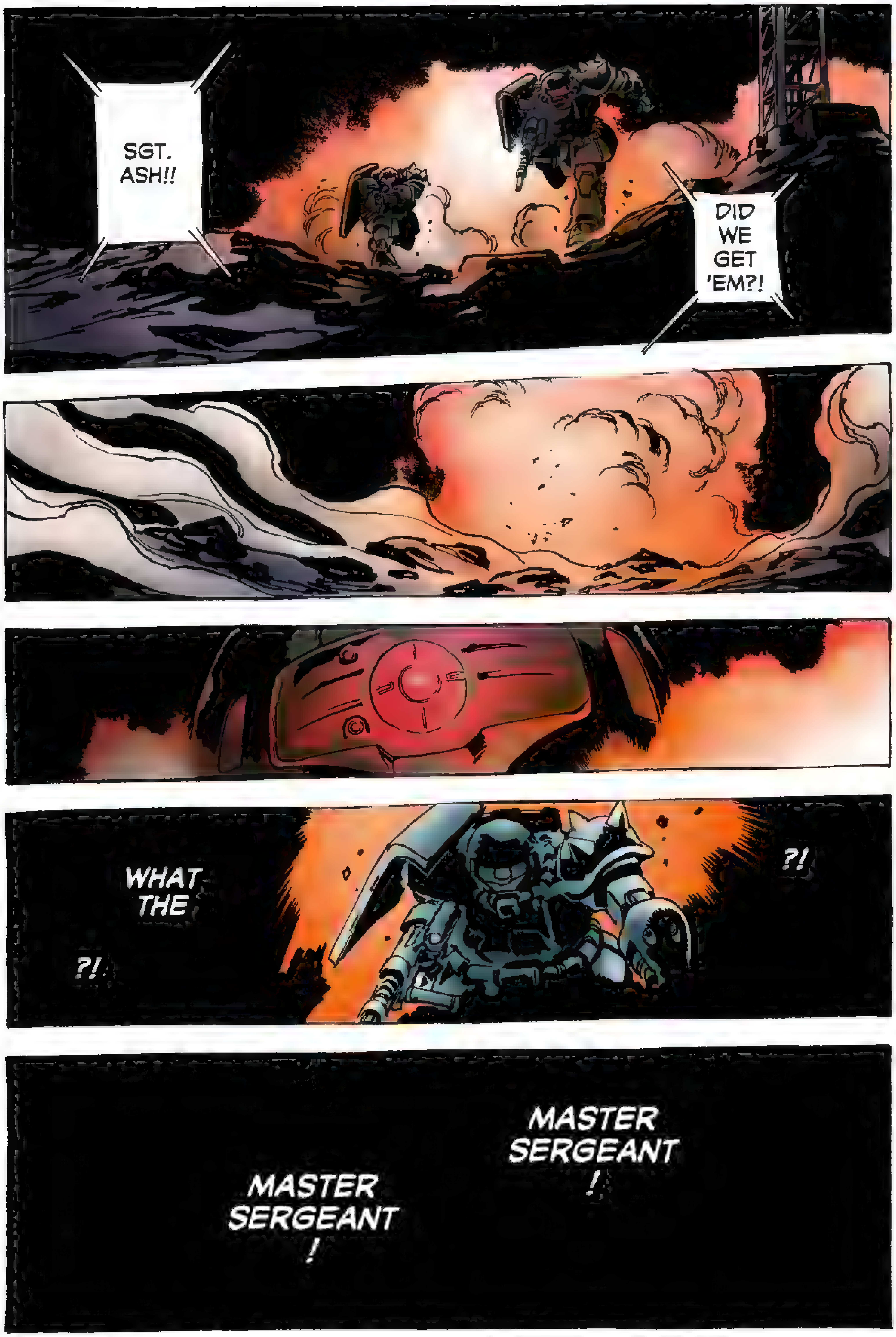

LOOKS LIKE IT WAS DESTROYED BY A HEAT-RAY WEAPON.
GET SOME PHOTOS OF THE IMPACT PLANE.
IT'S AN OLD-MODEL MOBILE SUIT.
THAT'S I
THERE'S MORE.
CODE-NAME "GUN TANK."
I THINK.

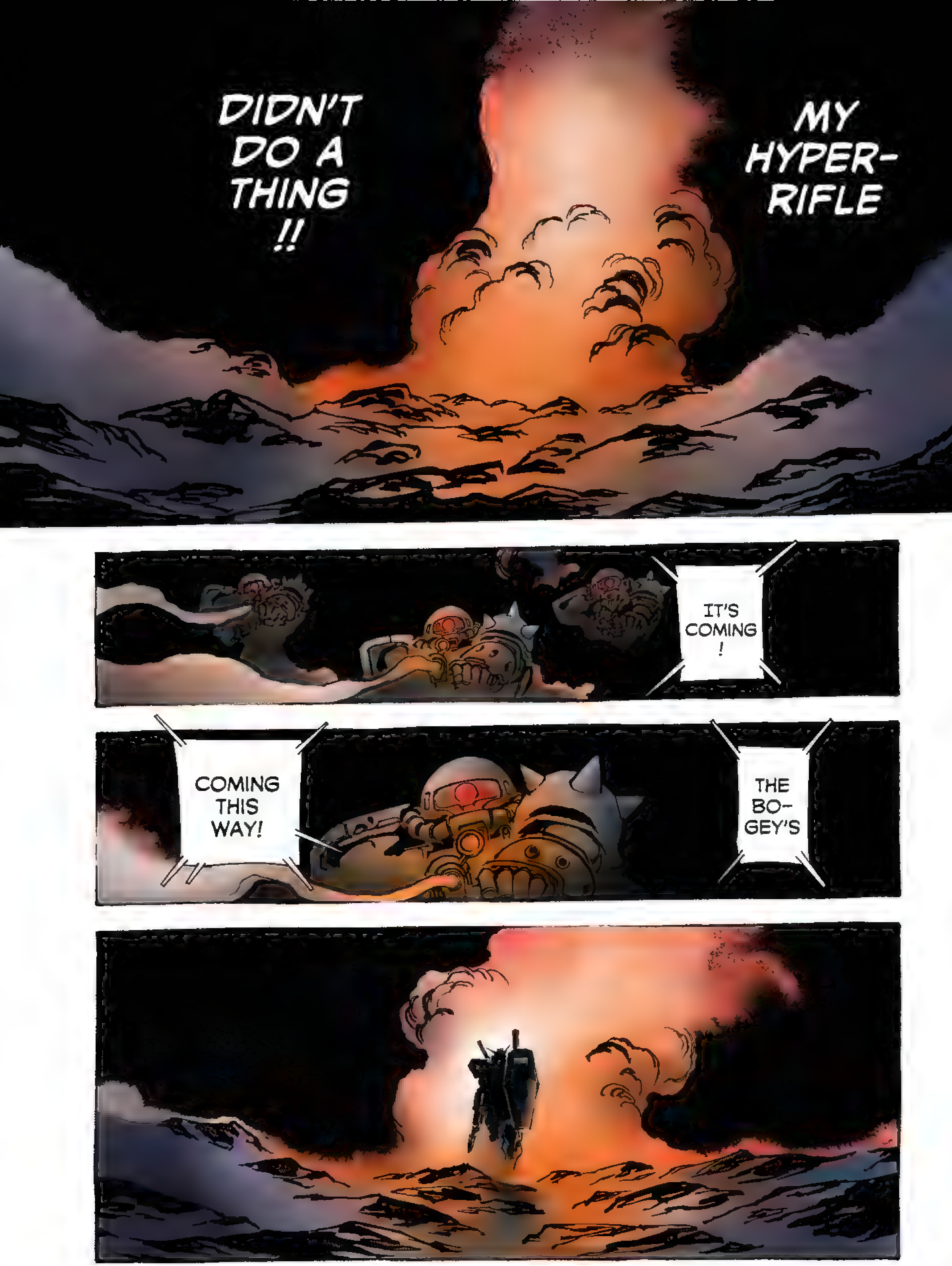

LOOK AT ALL THIS...
THEY MUST'VE USED IT AS A MOCK TARGET.
IT'S LIKE
A GRAVE-YARD FOR OLD MOBILE SUITS.
NEW FED ARMA-MENT...
SO THIS IS THE
DO WE HAVE ANY BEAM RIFLES WITH THIS LEVEL OF FIREPOWER?
NEGATIVE
SIR.
IT'S BEEN SHEARED OFF BY AN INTENSE
HEAT RAY.
THIS ONE, TOO...
!!
WHAT IS IT, ASH?!

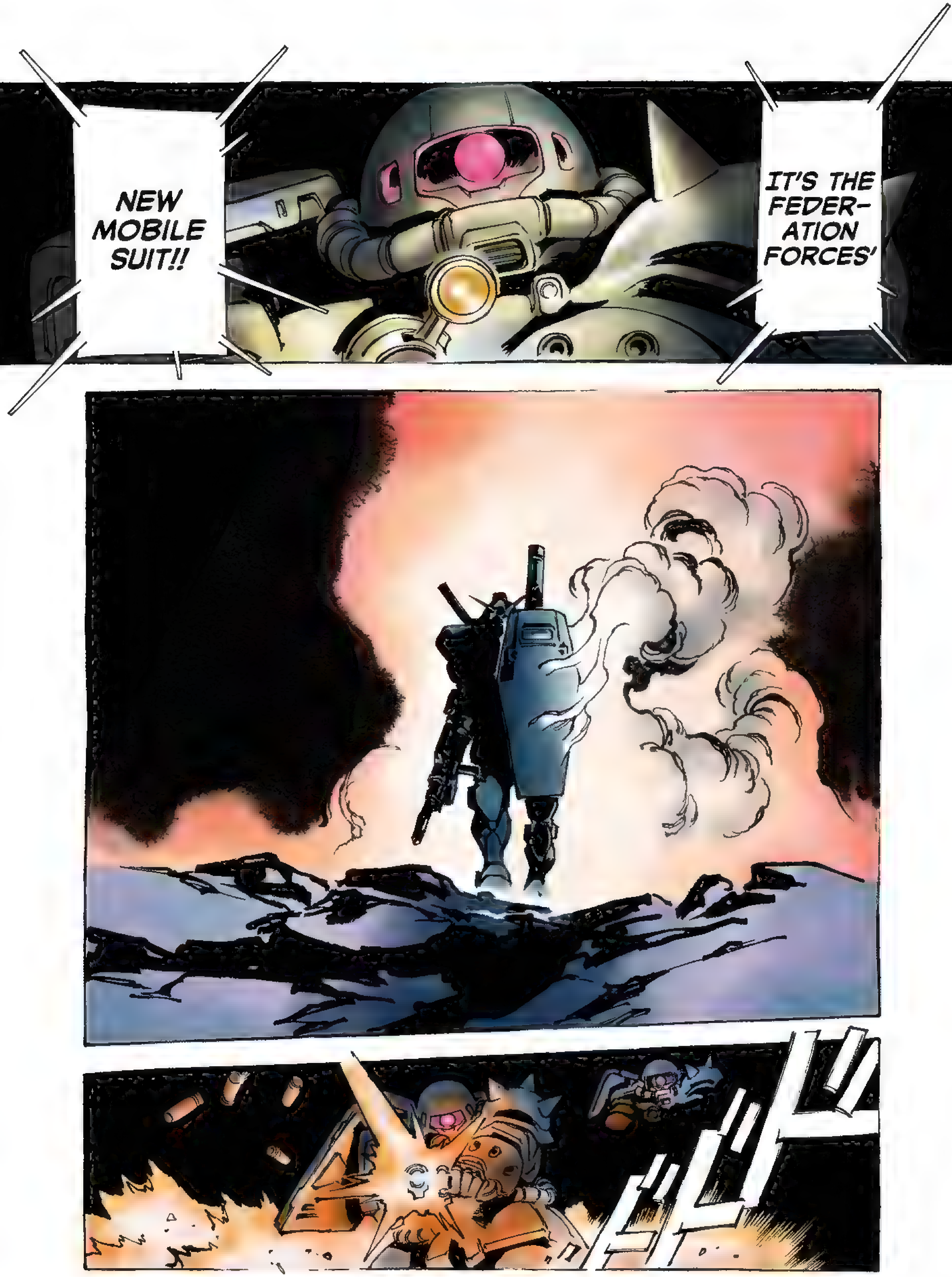

SIR
!
ENEMY
SIGHTED
!!!

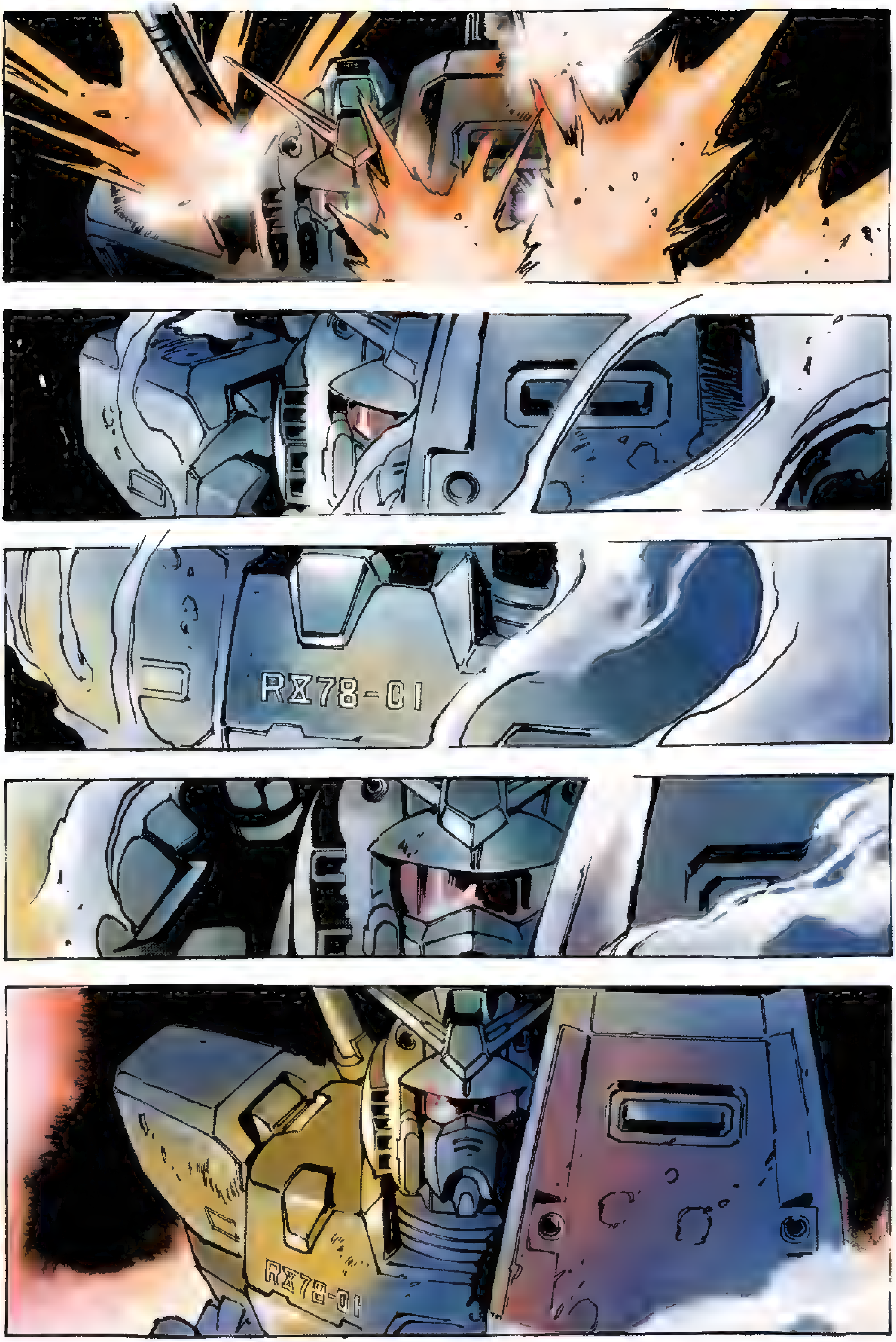

THEY'RE FIRING VULCANS!
WE'RE GOING TO ENGAGE!
SERGEANT ASH!
ON THE WAY,
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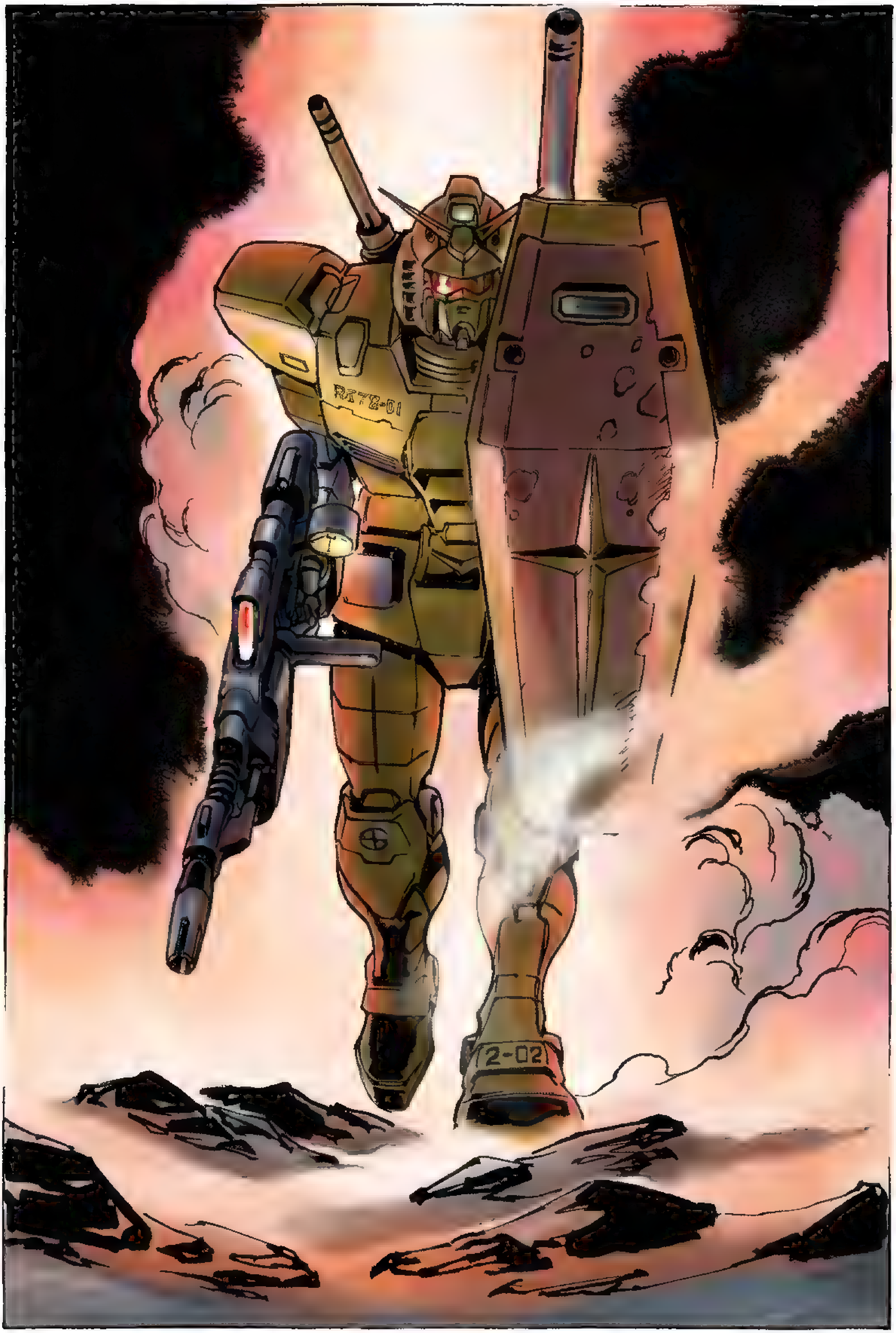



SGT. ASH!!
DID WE GET 'EM?!
WHAT THE
?!
?!
MASTER SERGEANT!
MASTER SERGEANT!


MY HYPER-RIFLE
DIDN'T DO A THING !!
IT'S COMING !
THE BO-GEY'S
COMING THIS WAY!


IT'S THE FEDER-ATION FORCES'
NEW MOBILE SUIT!!


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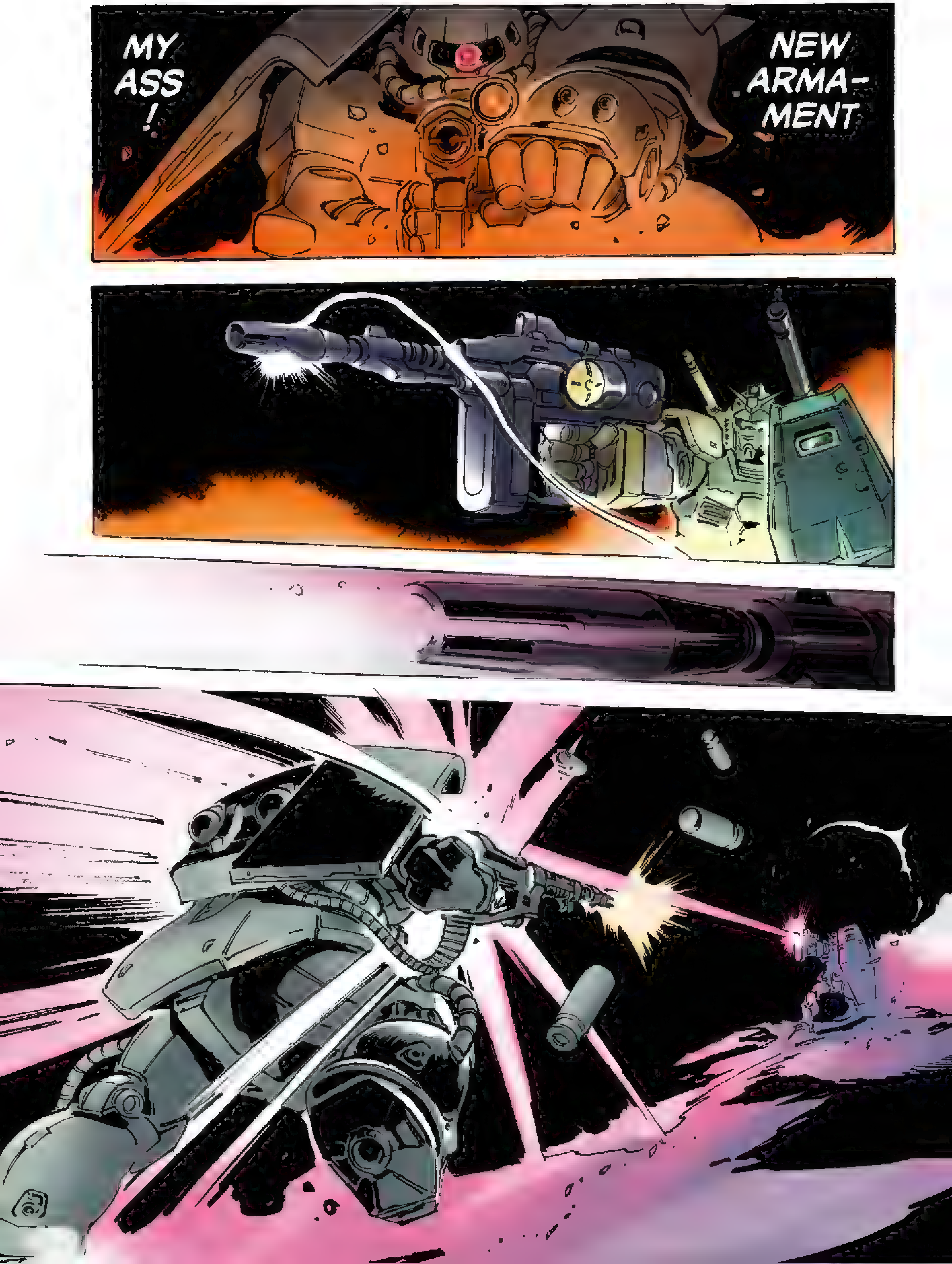

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SECTION II

WHAT'S COMING?! SERGEANT ASH, RESPOND!
SAY IT AGAIN!
COME IN!!
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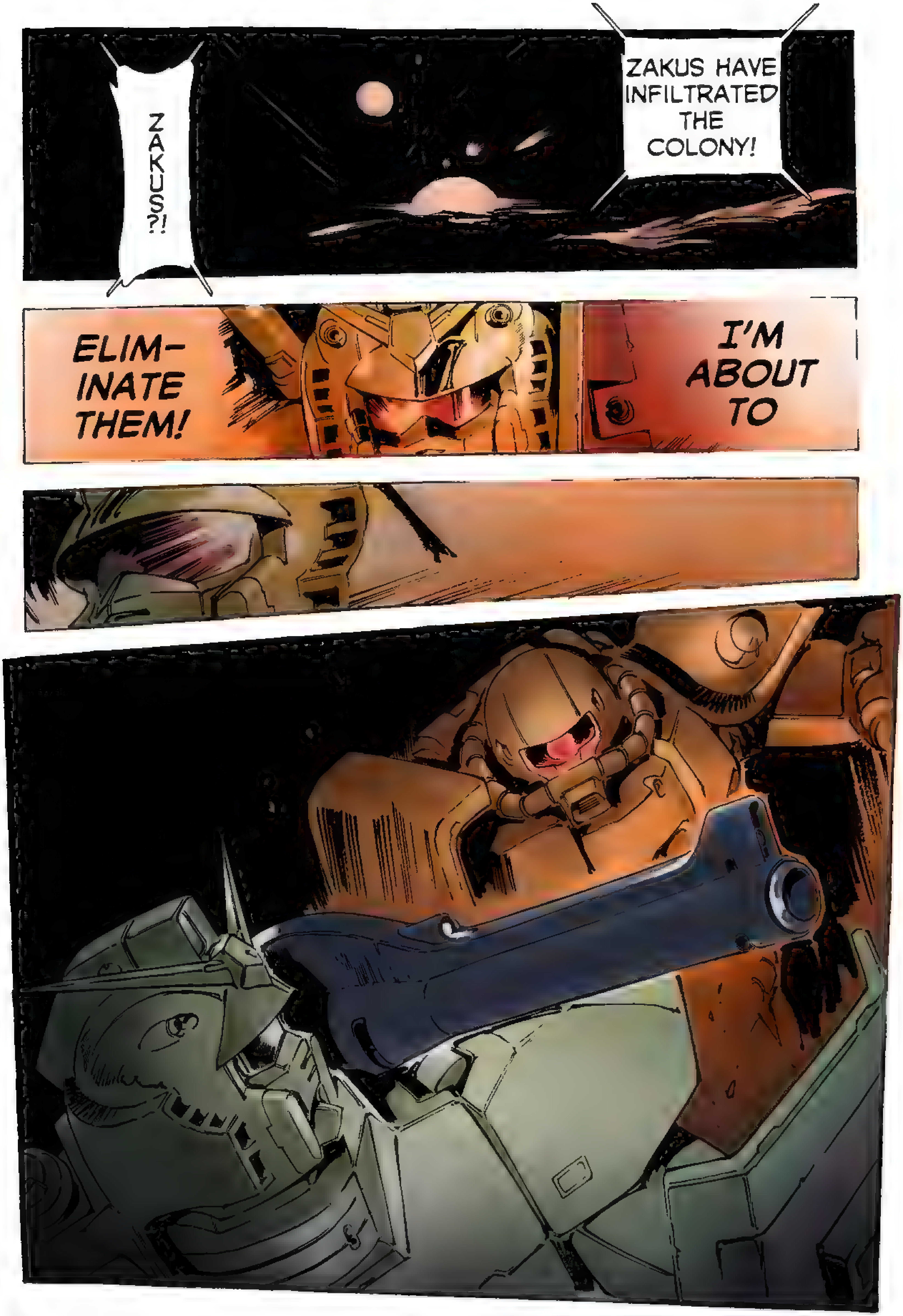

KA-CHK



MY ASS!
NEW ARMA-MENT

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WHAT WAS THAT?
WHAT WAS THAT EXPLOSION?
IS 01 SCHEDULED FOR TRAINING TODAY?
DON'T ASK ME!
FORGET TRAINING... GET IT IN TRANSPORT, IMMEDIATELY!
LIEUTENANT WERTZ!
DO YOU COPY?
I COPY, CONTROL!
THIS IS NOT A TRAINING EXERCISE!

ZAKUS HAVE INFILTRATED THE COLONY!
ZAKUS?!
ELIM-INATE THEM!
I'M ABOUT TO










UNDER CONSTRUCTION
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GATE 06
WHAT WAS THAT ?


WHAT'S GOING ON?
I SAW SOMETHING FLASH OVER THERE, PAST THE CON-STRUCTION BLOCK!
AMURO!
GET IN, FRAW!!
GATE 06
PARKING




NEVER MIND THAT NOW!
BUT I STILL HAVE TO GET...

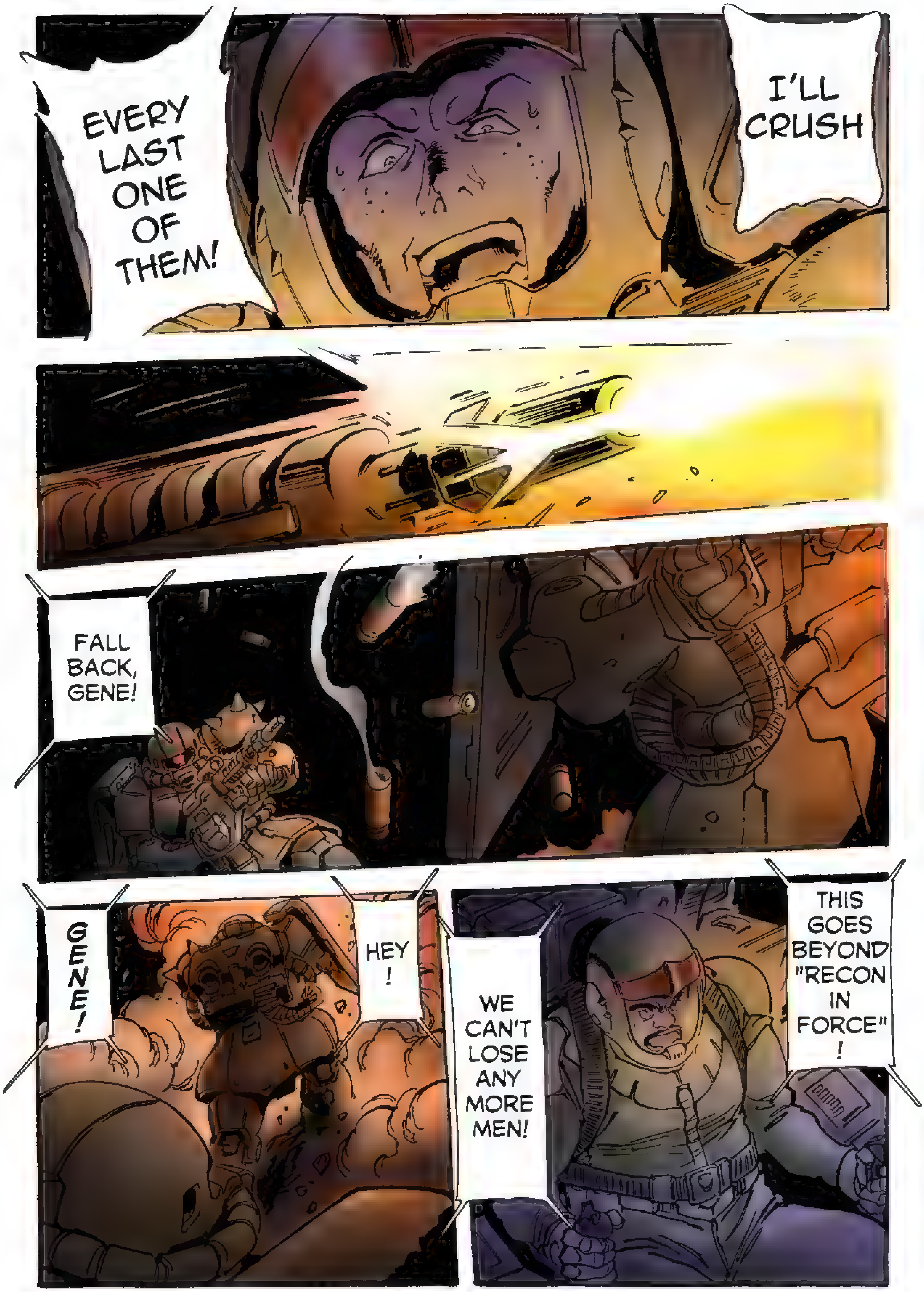

AAAH!!
THAT BIG AN EXPLOSION!
THE COLONY CAN'T WITHSTAND
THE CONSTRUCTION BLOCK BARRIER!!

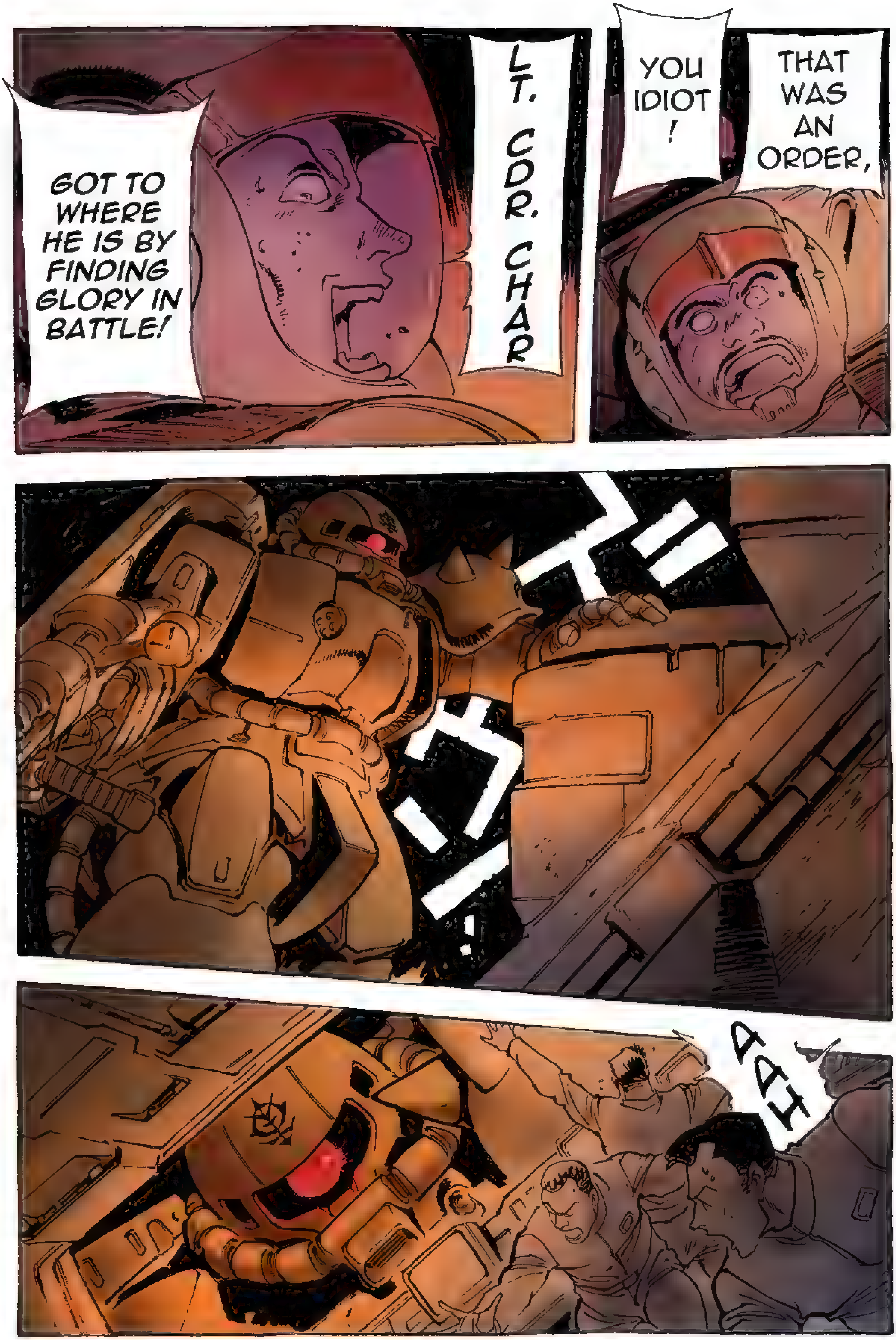

THE ZAKU UNITS ARE STILL FIRING!!
LIEUTENANT WERTZ!
01, COME IN!!
THE BULKHEAD IS CAVING IN!!



AND
O2
?!
IT'S ON THE CARRIER, READY FOR TRANSPORT!
CALL LTJG KEMP!
GET HIM IN THAT SUIT AND OUT THERE!!

DAMN IT!
I'LL GET THEM FOR YOU, SGT. ASH!!

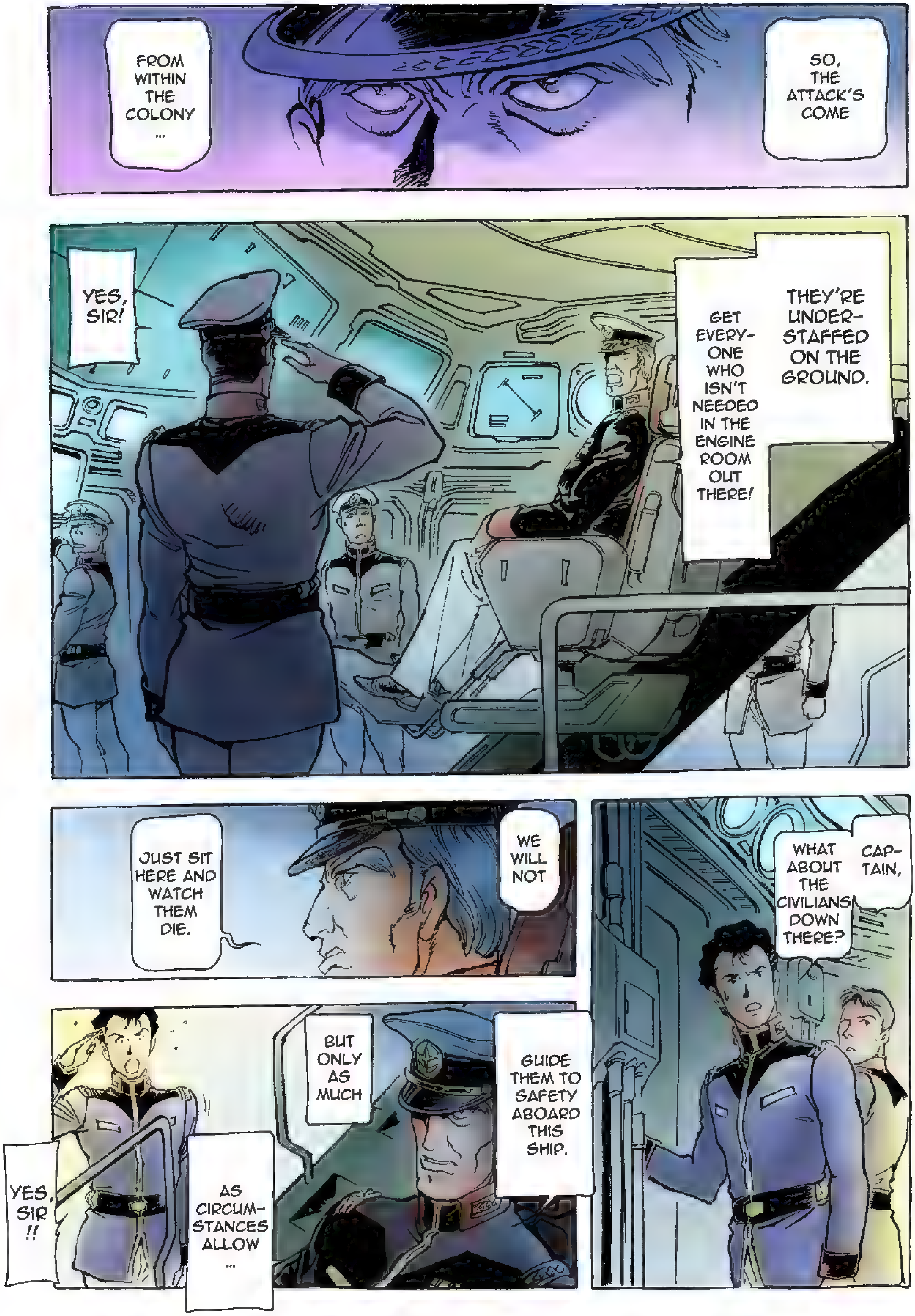

EVERY LAST ONE OF THEM!
I'LL CRUSH
FALL BACK, GENE!
GENE!
HEY!
WE CAN'T LOSE ANY MORE MEN!
THIS GOES BEYOND "RECON IN FORCE"!

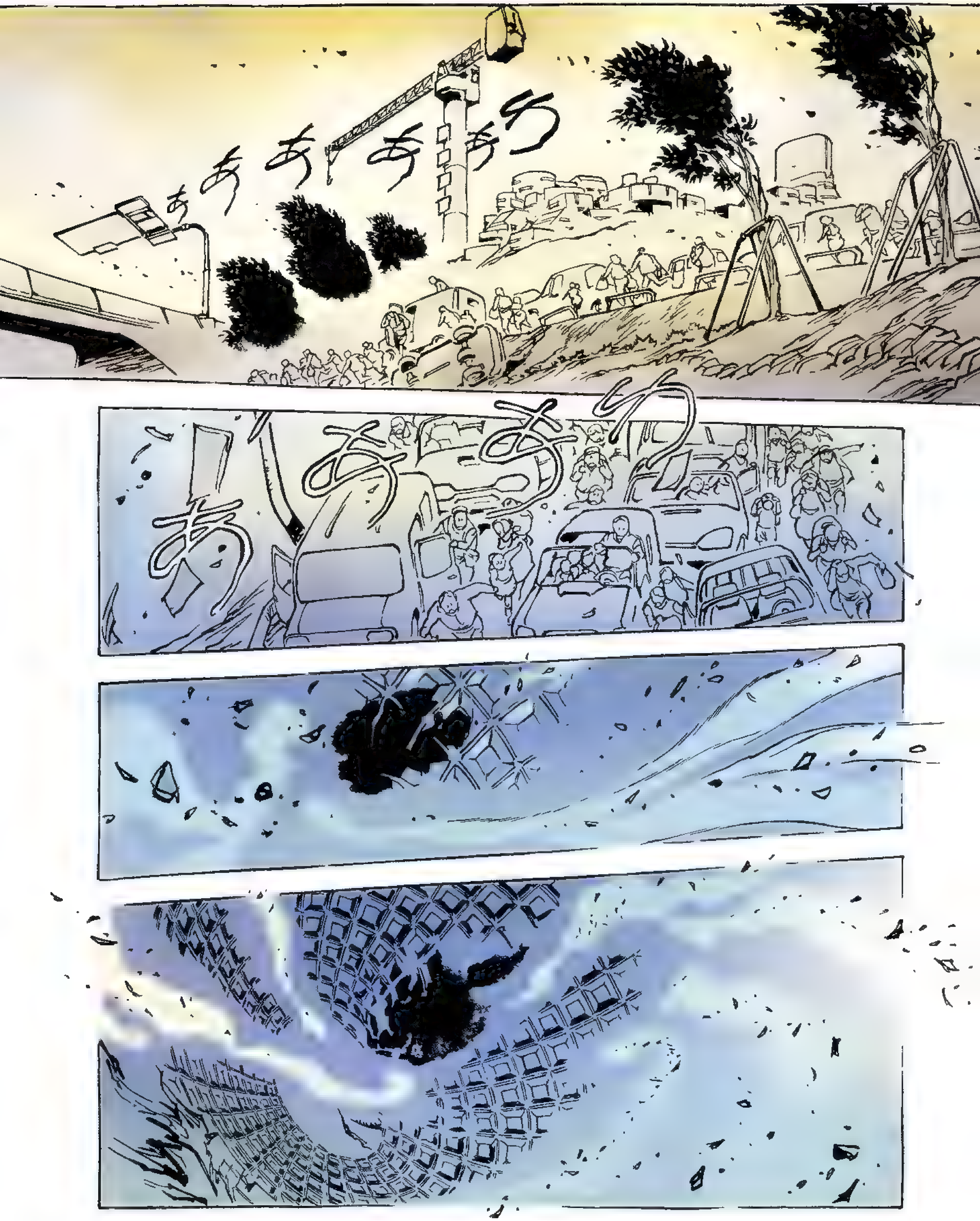

THAT WAS AN ORDER,
YOU IDIOT!
LT. CDR. CHAR
GOT TO WHERE HE IS BY FINDING GLORY IN BATTLE!
AAH



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WHAT ARE YOU DOING ?!
GET IT ON THE CAR-RIER! NOW!!
IF WE DON'T GET IT OUT OF HERE,
THE ZAKU WILL DESTROY IT, TOO!
CONTROL GAVE THE ORDER TO DEPLOY ...
FORGET IT!
WE CAN AT LEAST SAVE 02!
LOAD IT ONTO WHITE BASE WITH-OUT DELAY !!


SO, THE ATTACK'S COME
FROM WITHIN THE COLONY ...
THEY'RE UNDER-STAFFED ON THE GROUND.
GET EVERY-ONE WHO ISN'T NEEDED IN THE ENGINE ROOM OUT THERE!
YES, SIR!
CAP-TAIN,
WHAT ABOUT THE CIVILIANS DOWN THERE?
WE WILL NOT
JUST SIT HERE AND WATCH THEM DIE.
GUIDE THEM TO SAFETY ABOARD THIS SHIP.
BUT ONLY AS MUCH
AS CIRCUM-STANCES ALLOW ...
YES, SIR !!



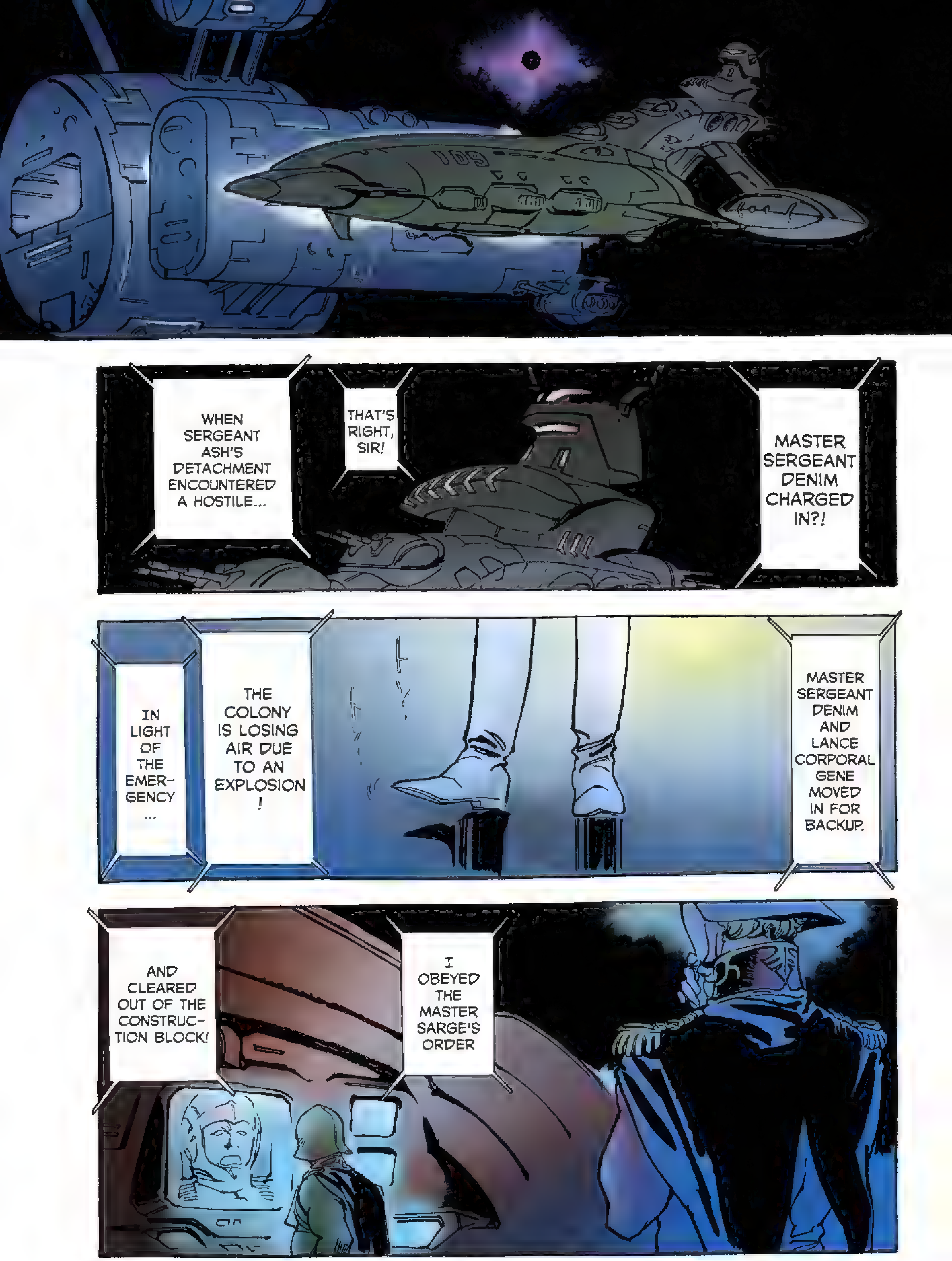


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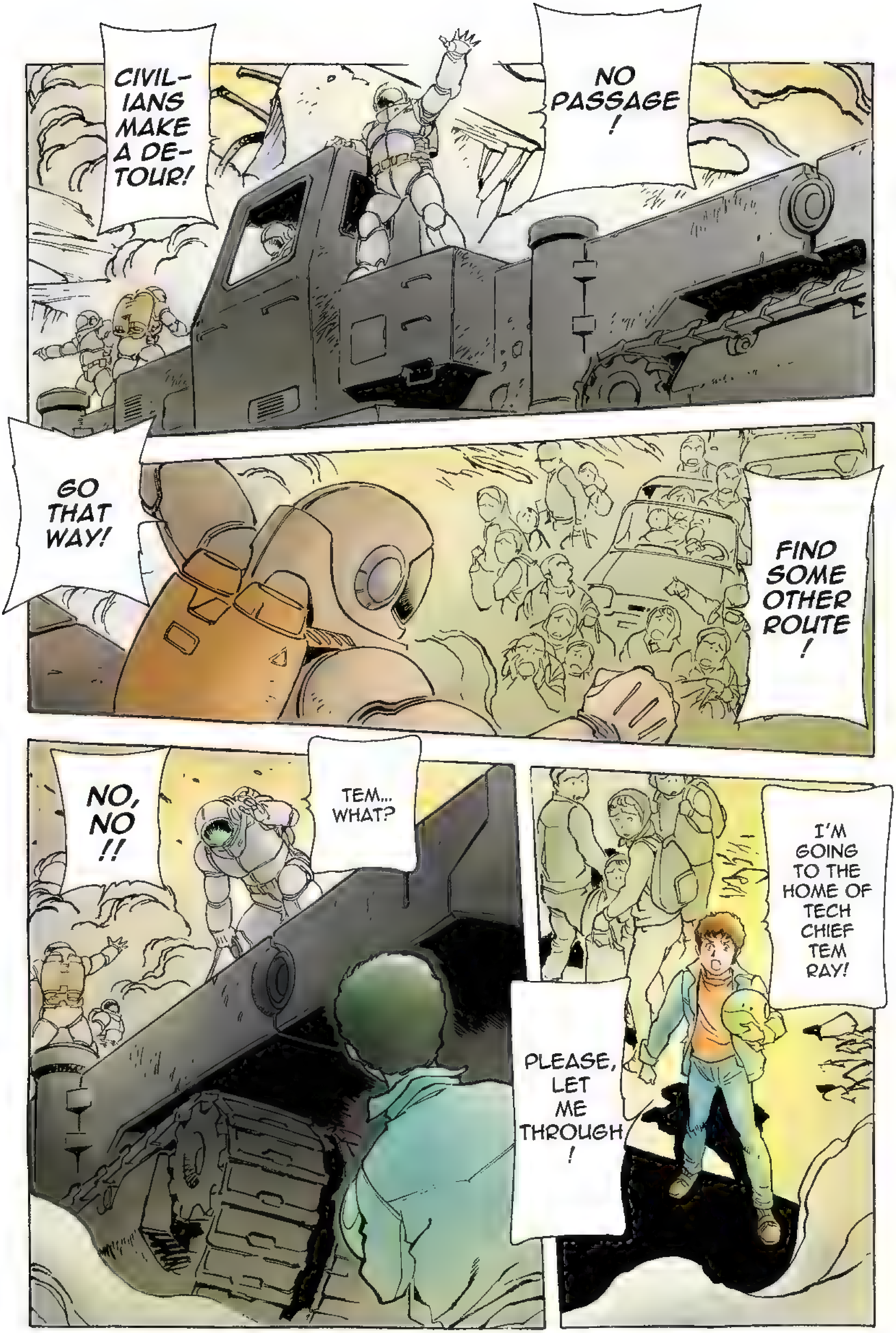
Whoa!!
THE ROAD ...
Tsk!
I'M CLOSE ENOUGH.
THANKS, AMURO!
C'MON
Haro!
Mommm!


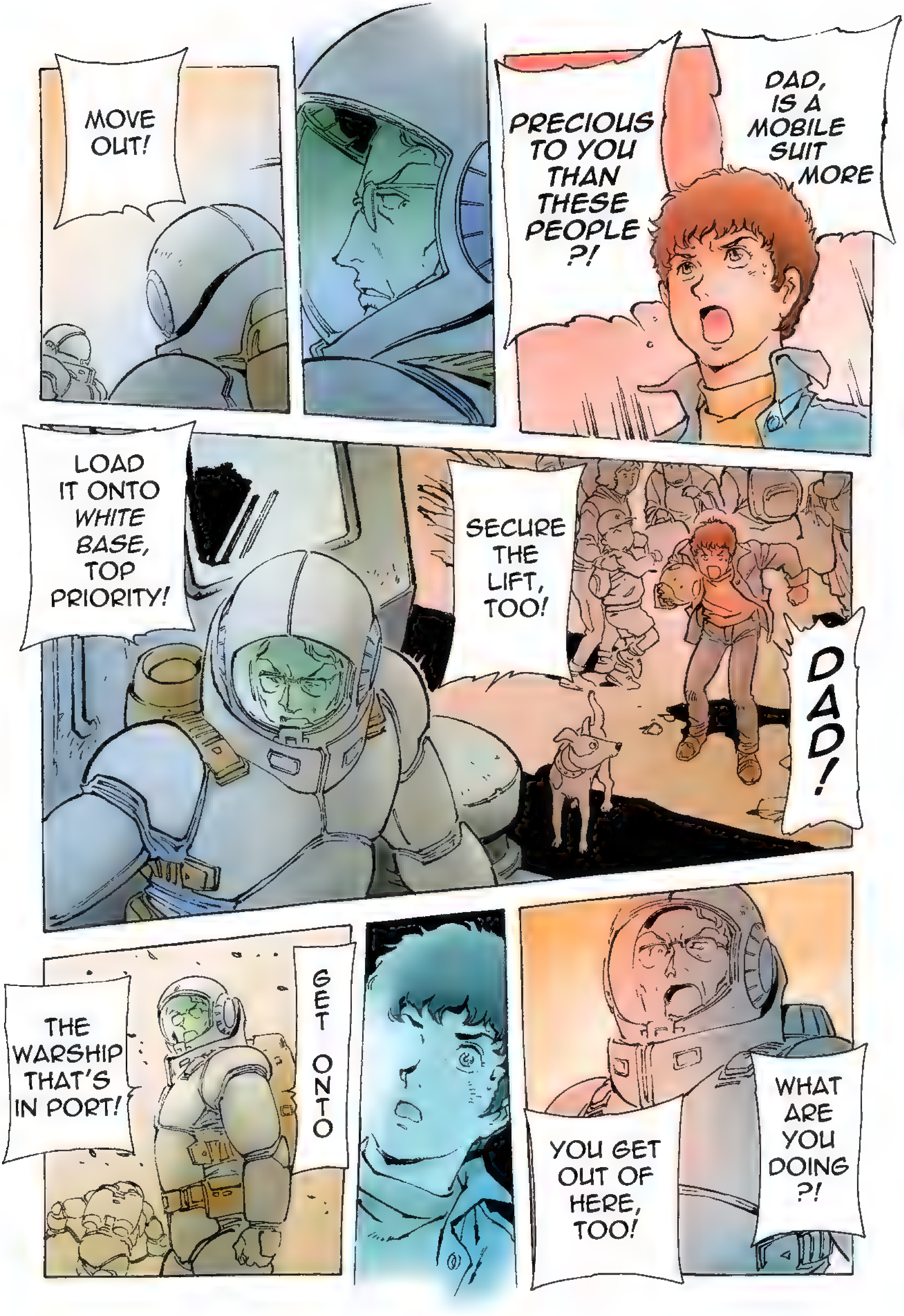
WHEN SERGEANT ASH'S DETACHMENT ENCOUNTERED A HOSTILE...
THAT'S RIGHT, SIR!
MASTER SERGEANT DENIM CHARGED IN?!
IN LIGHT OF THE EMER-GENCY...
THE COLONY IS LOSING AIR DUE TO AN EXPLOSION!
MASTER SERGEANT DENIM AND LANCE CORPORAL GENE MOVED IN FOR BACKUP.
AND CLEARED OUT OF THE CONSTRUC-TION BLOCK!
I OBEYED THE MASTER SARGE'S ORDER


WELL DONE
CPL. SLENDER.
SO THE FED-ERATION FORCES
DO HAVE A NEW MOBILE SUIT?!
THAT WILL DO, NOW RETURN TO SHIP!
YOU'LL BE DE-BRIEFED LATER!
COLOR ME SUR-PRISED.
TO THINK DENIM COULDN'T KEEP HIS MEN IN LINE...
DREN,
DETACH THE SHIP AND APPROACH THE COLONY.

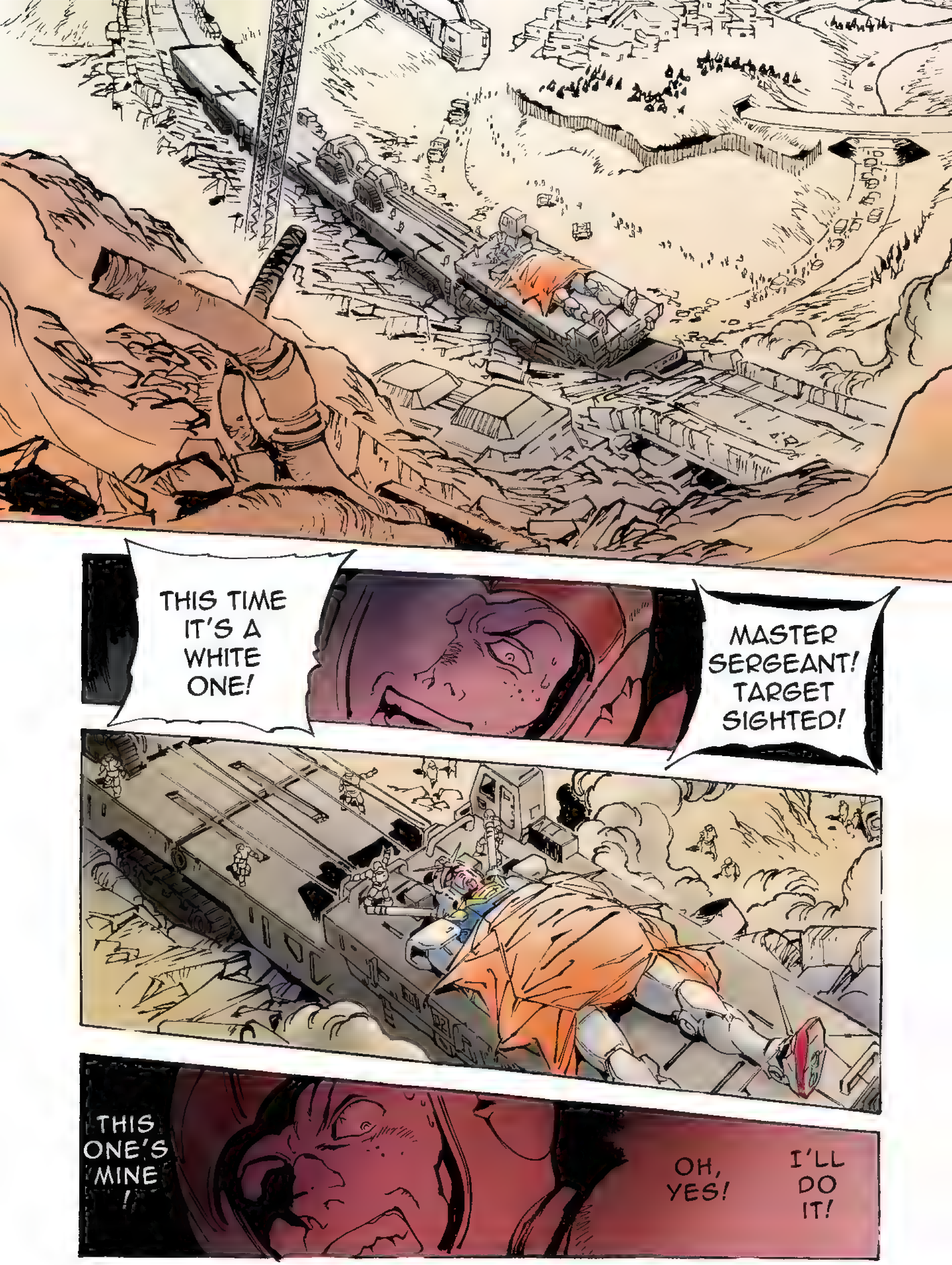

THE FED-ERATION HAS VIOLATED THE TREATY ...
AND WE WILL MAKE THEM PAY DEARLY FOR IT.
... TO ARMS, SIR ?
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CIVIL-IANS MAKE A DE-TOUR!
NO PASSAGE!
GO THAT WAY!
FIND SOME OTHER ROUTE!
NO, NO!!
TEM... WHAT?
I'M GOING TO THE HOME OF TECH CHIEF TEM RAY!
PLEASE, LET ME THROUGH!


TOW THE CARRIER!
THE GUNDAM TAKES PRECEDENCE OVER REFUGEES!
DAD!
DAD!!
GET IT MOVING, NOW!
IT'LL HOLD JUST FINE!

MOVE OUT!
DAD, IS A MOBILE SUIT MORE
PRECIOUS TO YOU THAN THESE PEOPLE ?!
LOAD IT ONTO WHITE BASE, TOP PRIORITY!
SECURE THE LIFT, TOO!
DAD!
THE WARSHIP THAT'S IN PORT!
GET ONTO
WHAT ARE YOU DOING ?!
YOU GET OUT OF HERE, TOO!


GO !!

THIS TIME IT'S A WHITE ONE!
MASTER SERGEANT! TARGET SIGHTED!
THIS ONE'S MINE!
OH, YES!
I'LL DO IT!

ARGH
GENE!!
YOU BASTARD !!







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CAUTION



NNGH ...
UGH ...
NGH ...
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...
...
TH- THEY'RE DEAD ...?

...
ZAKU ?!
IS A ZEON ...
SO THIS ...
... SO

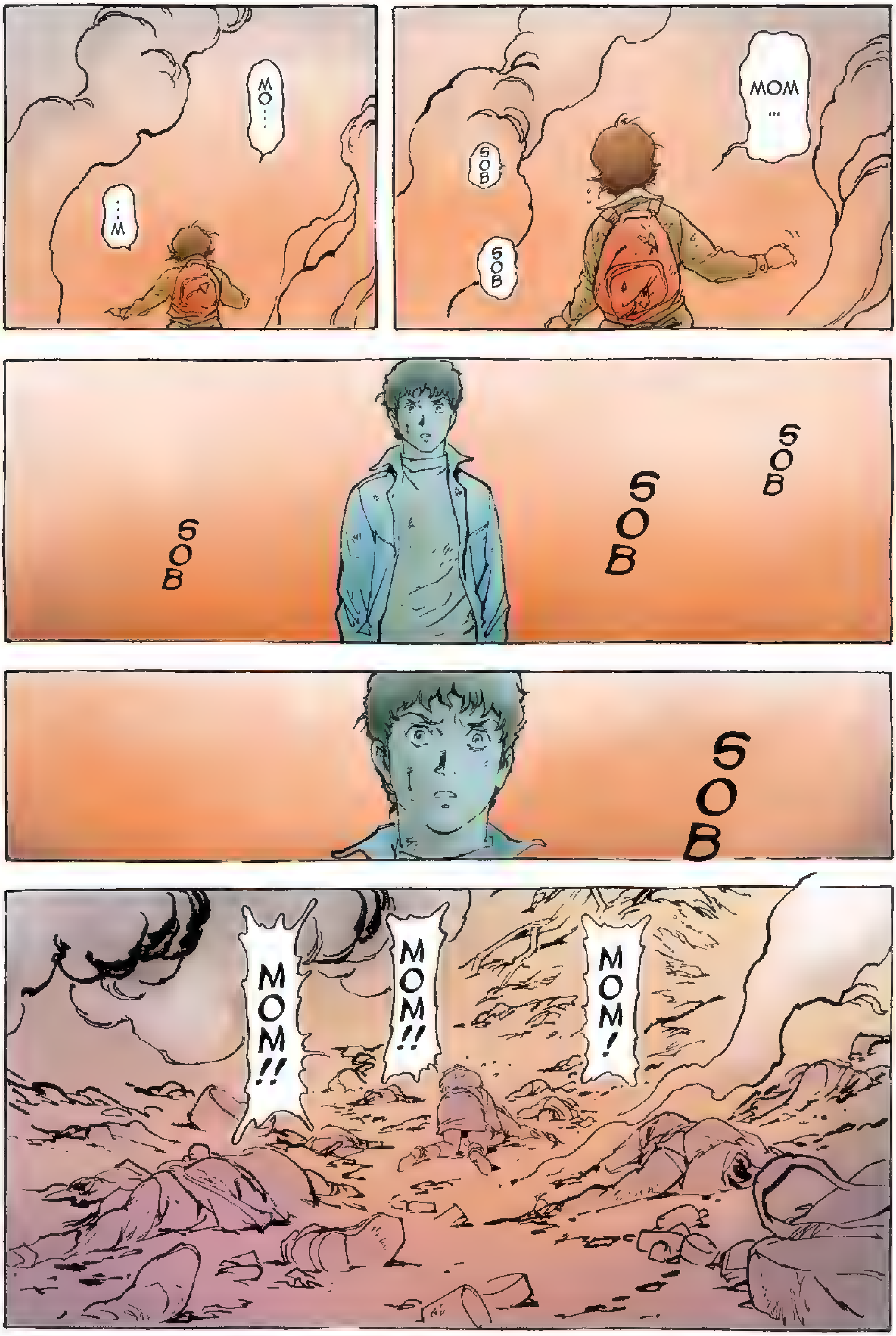


Amu-rooo!
Fraw!
Fraw, don't!!
AMU-ROO! ARE YOU OKAY?!



FRAW!
FRAW!!
FRAW BOW!!
STAY WITH ME!
FRAW BOW! C'MON!!
NGH
UH...
FRAW!
CAN YOU STAND UP?!
A... MU... RO...

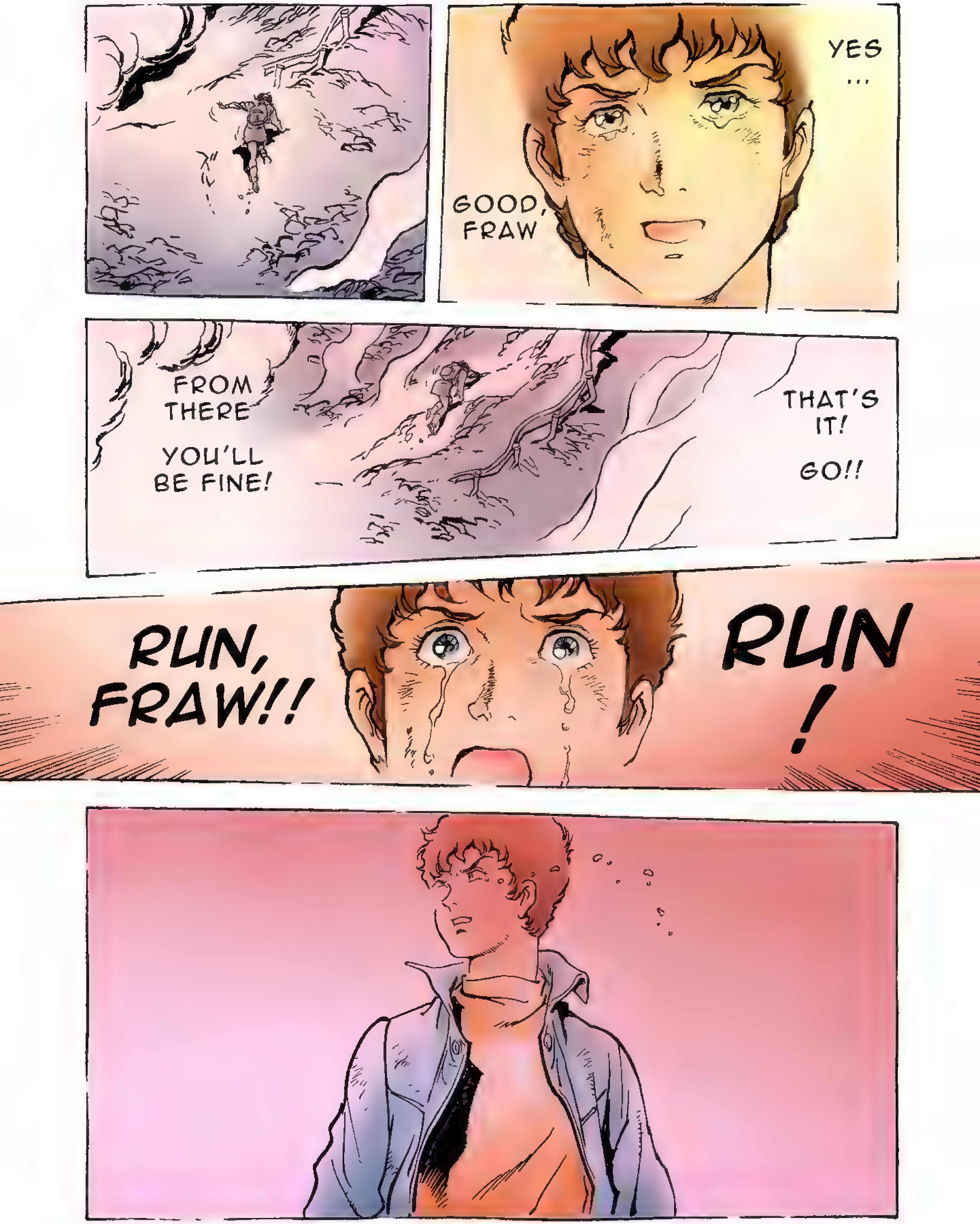

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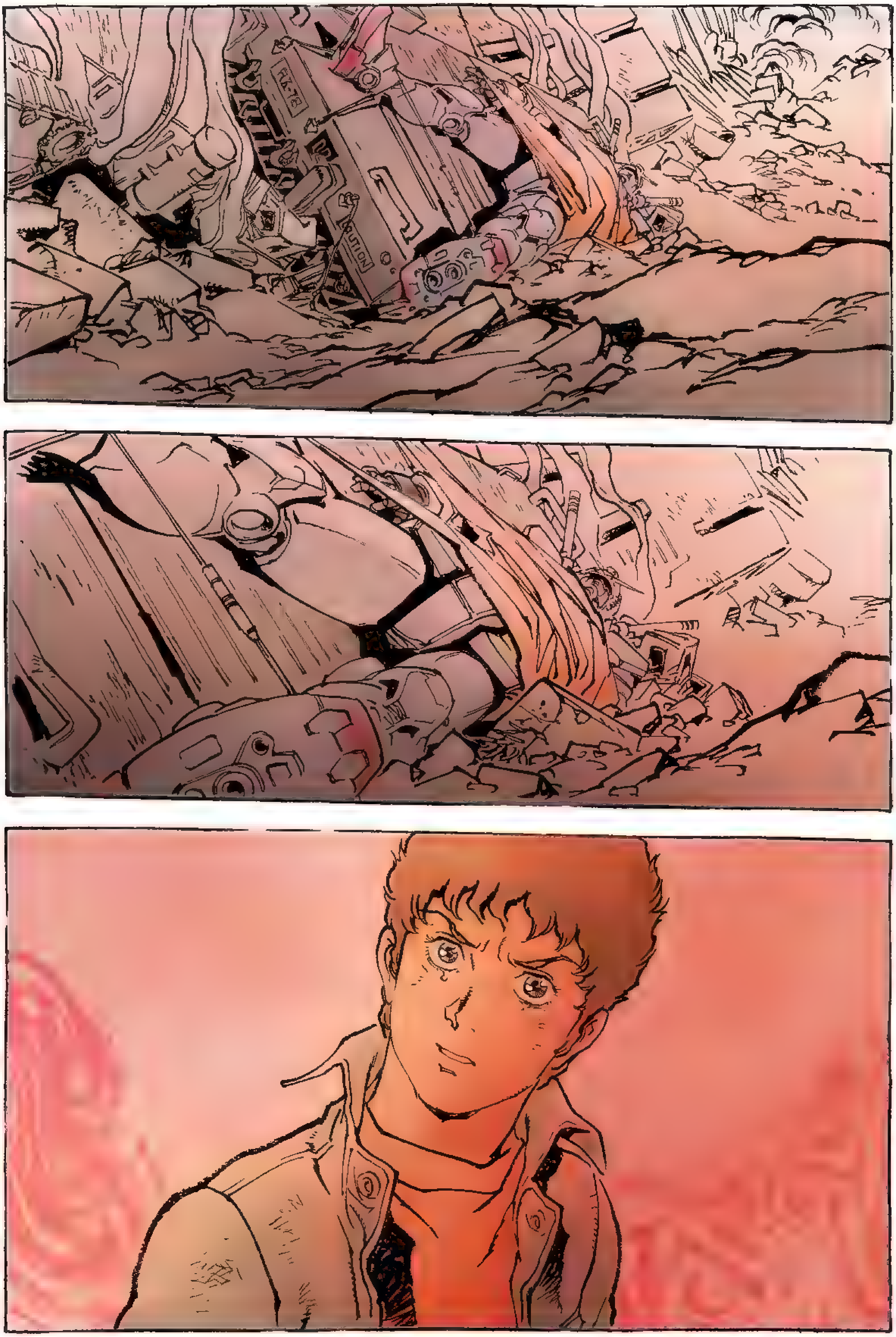

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MOM ...
SOB
SOB
SOB
SOB
SOB
SOB
MOM!
MOM!!
MOM!!


FRAW...
IF YOU DON'T START RUNNING THEY'LL GET YOU TOO.
* WAIL *
MOM-MMM!!
FRAW!
YOU HAVE TO GET OUT OF HERE!
NO, NO, NOOO!!
NO!!
NO!!


STOP IT!
I KNOW YOU'RE
A STRONG GIRL!
C'MON!
JUST RUN!!
CAN YOU, FRAW?!
RUN TO THE DOCKING BAY!
I'LL MEET YOU THERE!


FRAW
!
RUN,
!!
RUN
FRAW
!!
NOW
RUN,
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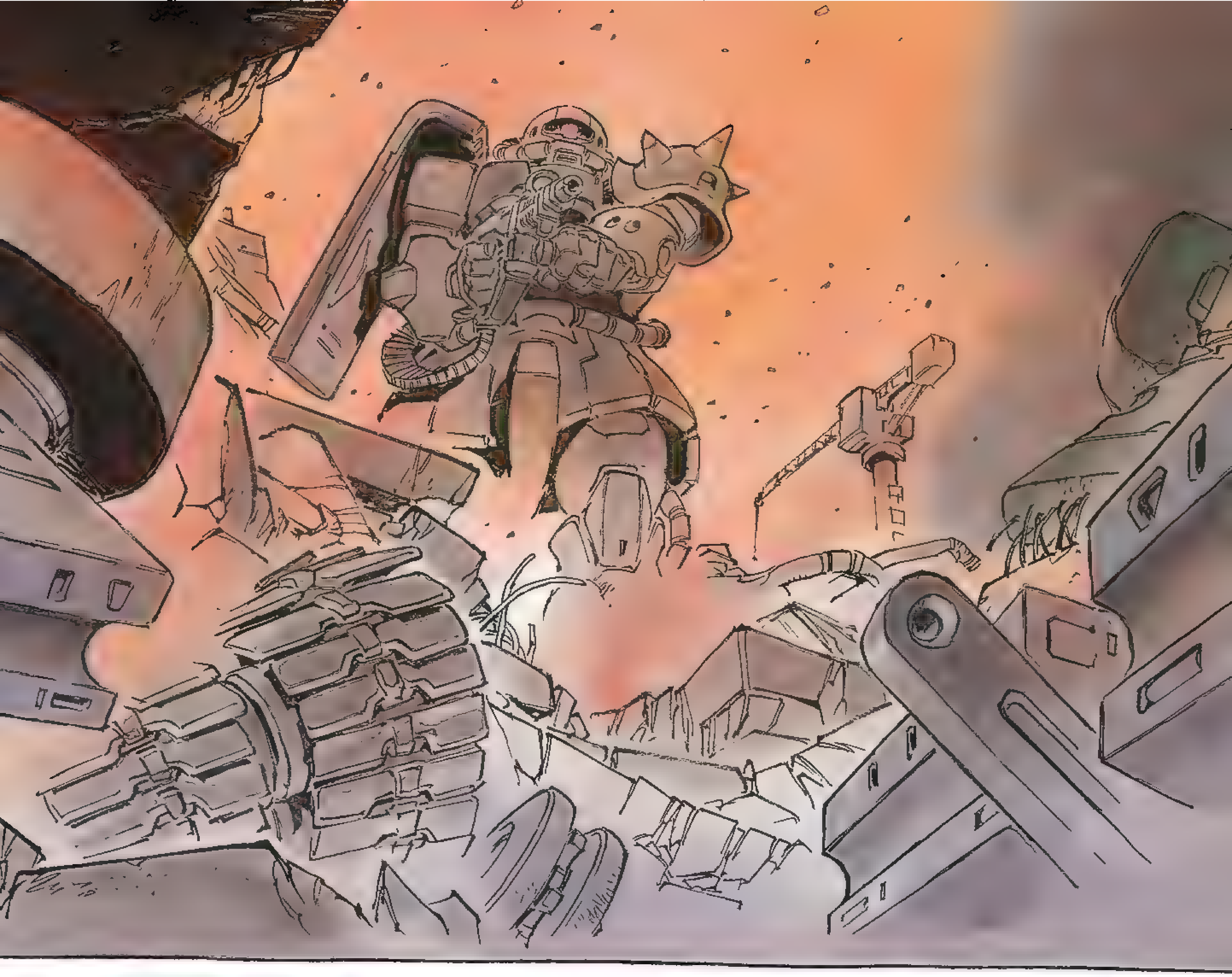
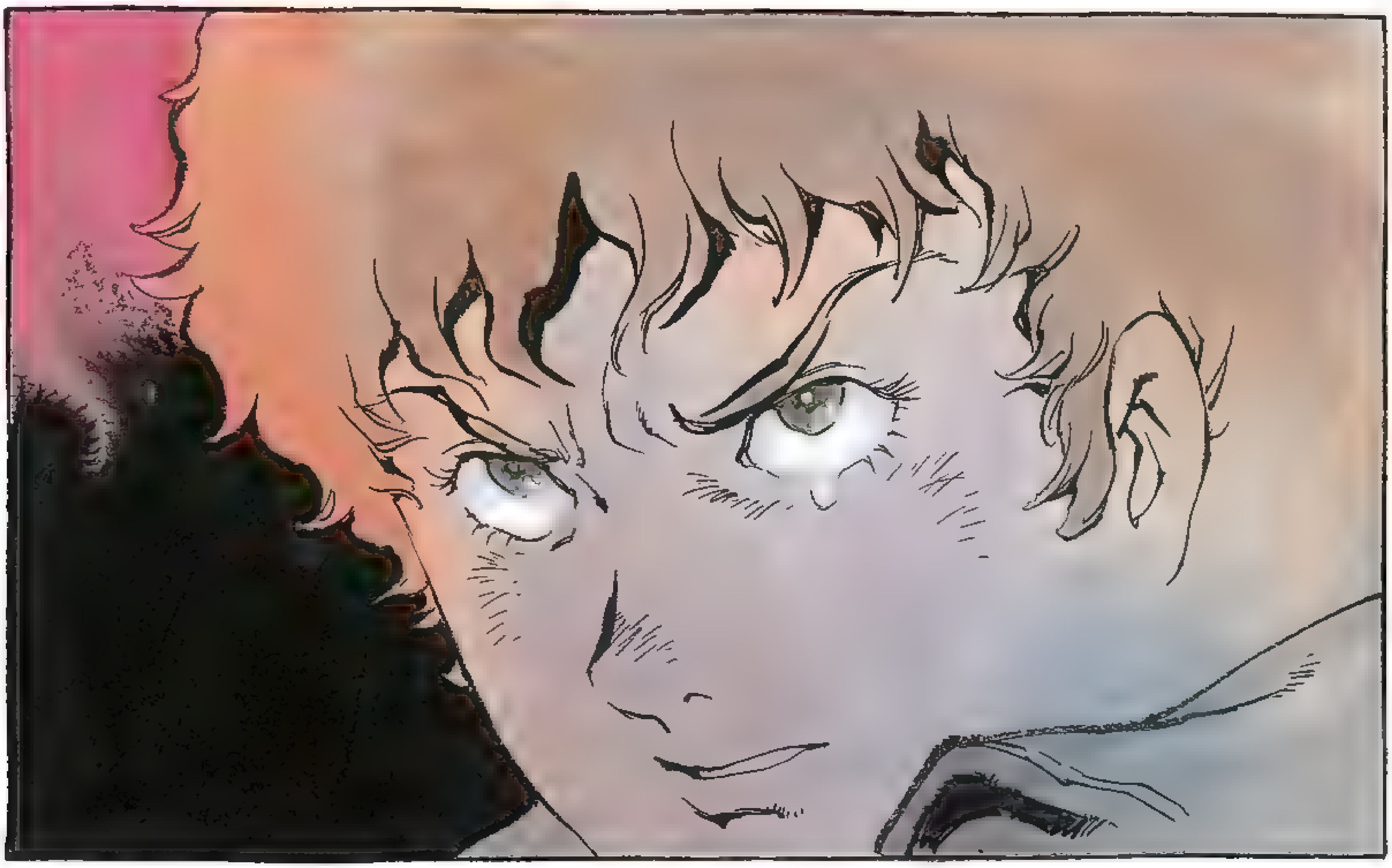

YES ...
GOOD, FRAW
FROM THERE
YOU'LL BE FINE!
THAT'S IT!
GO!!
RUN, FRAW!!
RUN!



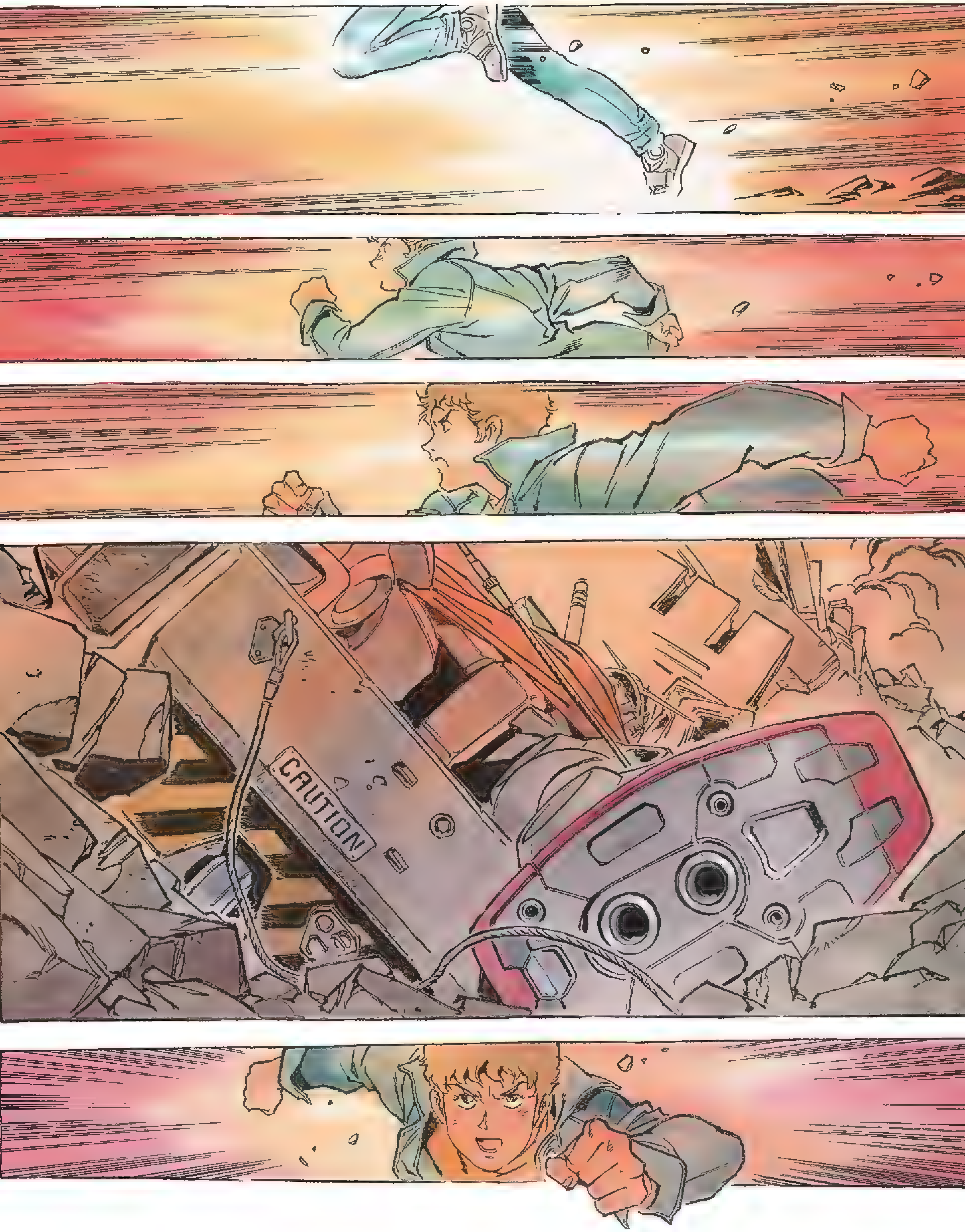



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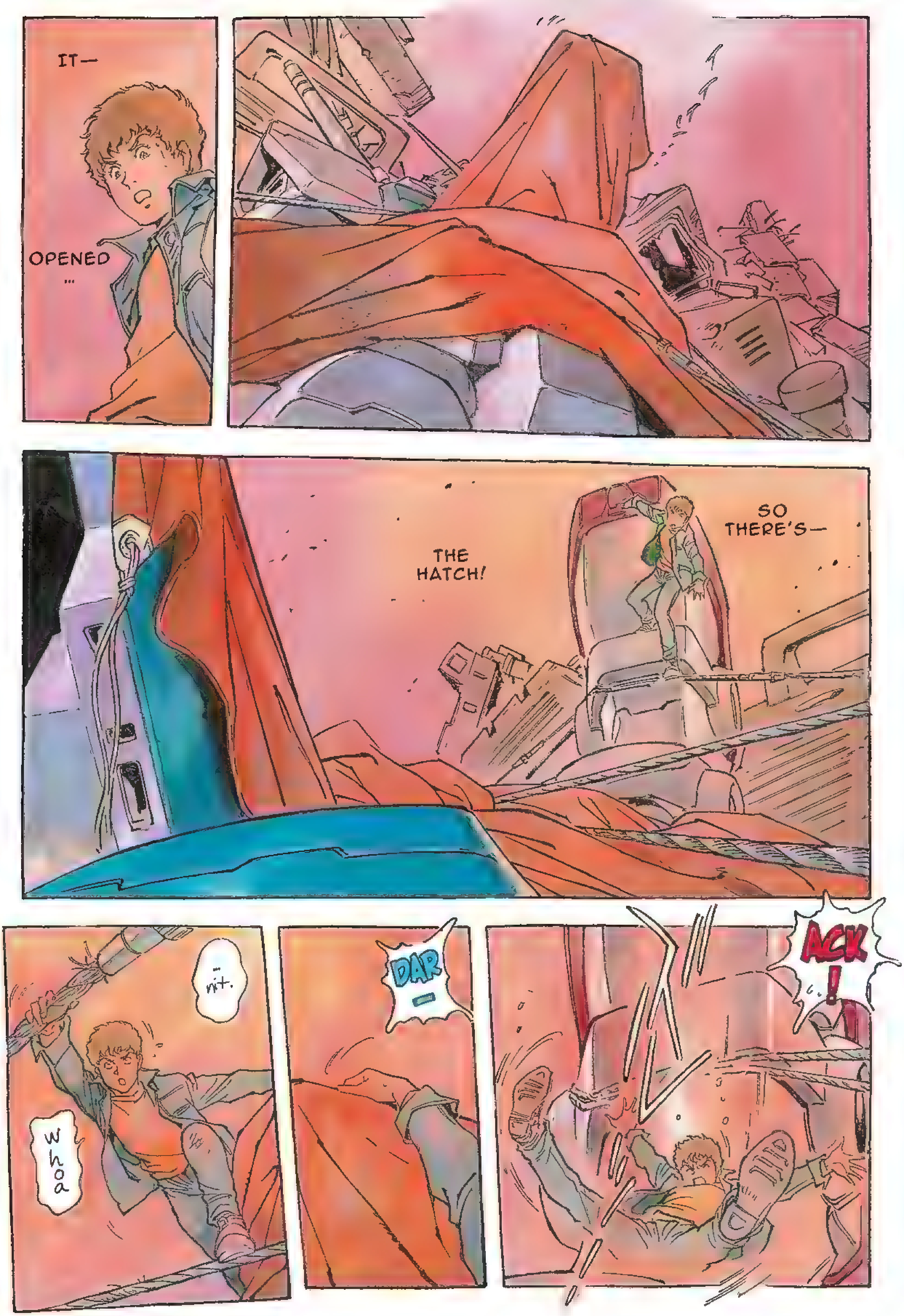



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CAUTION


NGH
CAUTION
NGH !
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THIS IS IT...
SO
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GUNDAM...

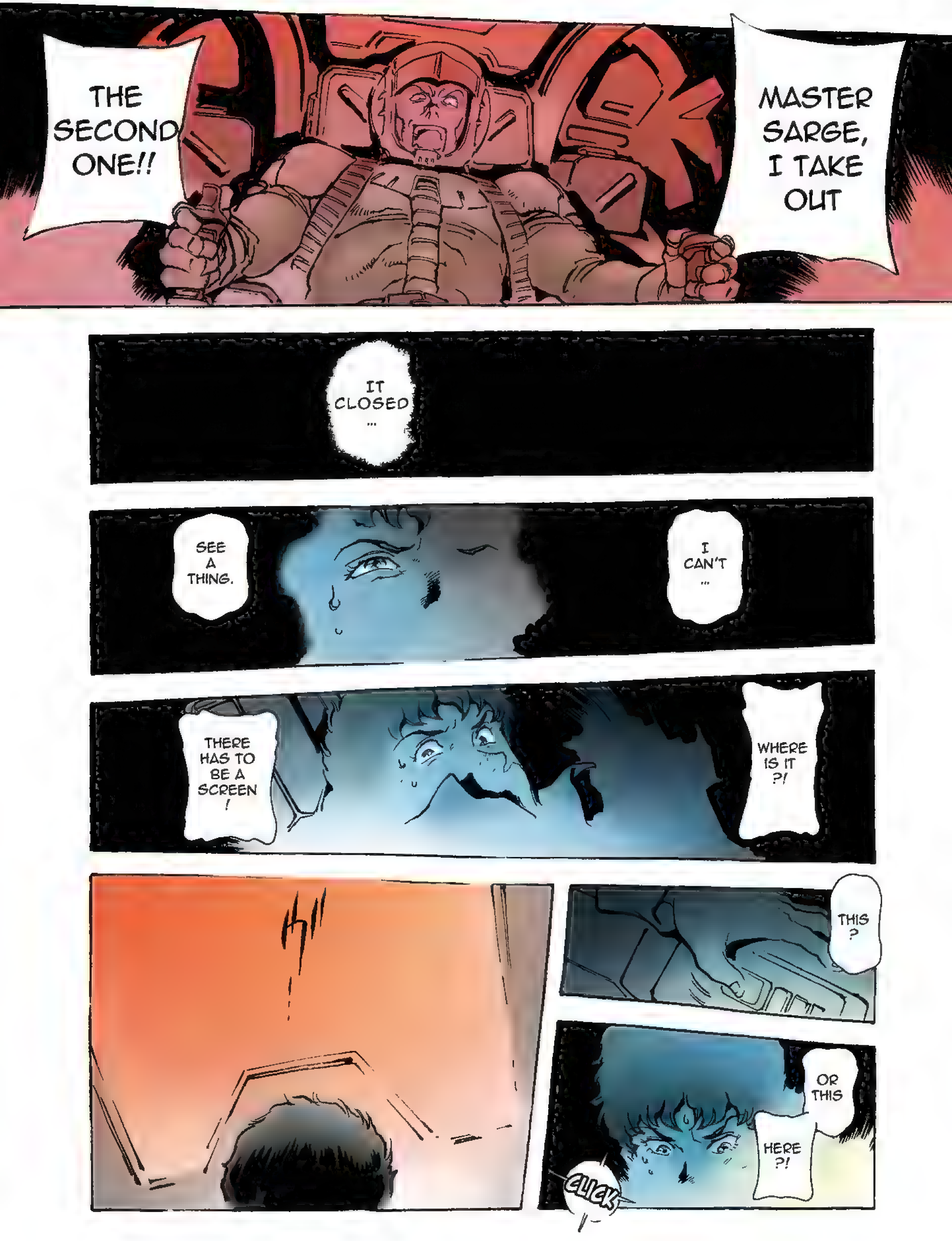

THE "MOBILE SUIT"...
FROM DAD'S FILES.
SOME-WHERE
ON ITS FEET ...
THERE SHOULD BE AN ACCESS PANEL ...
THERE IT IS!!
I OPEN THIS ...
THEN THE PASS-CODE ...

IT—
OPENED
...
SO THERE'S—
THE HATCH!
Whoa
...nit.
DAR—
ACK!


...I CAN GET IN.

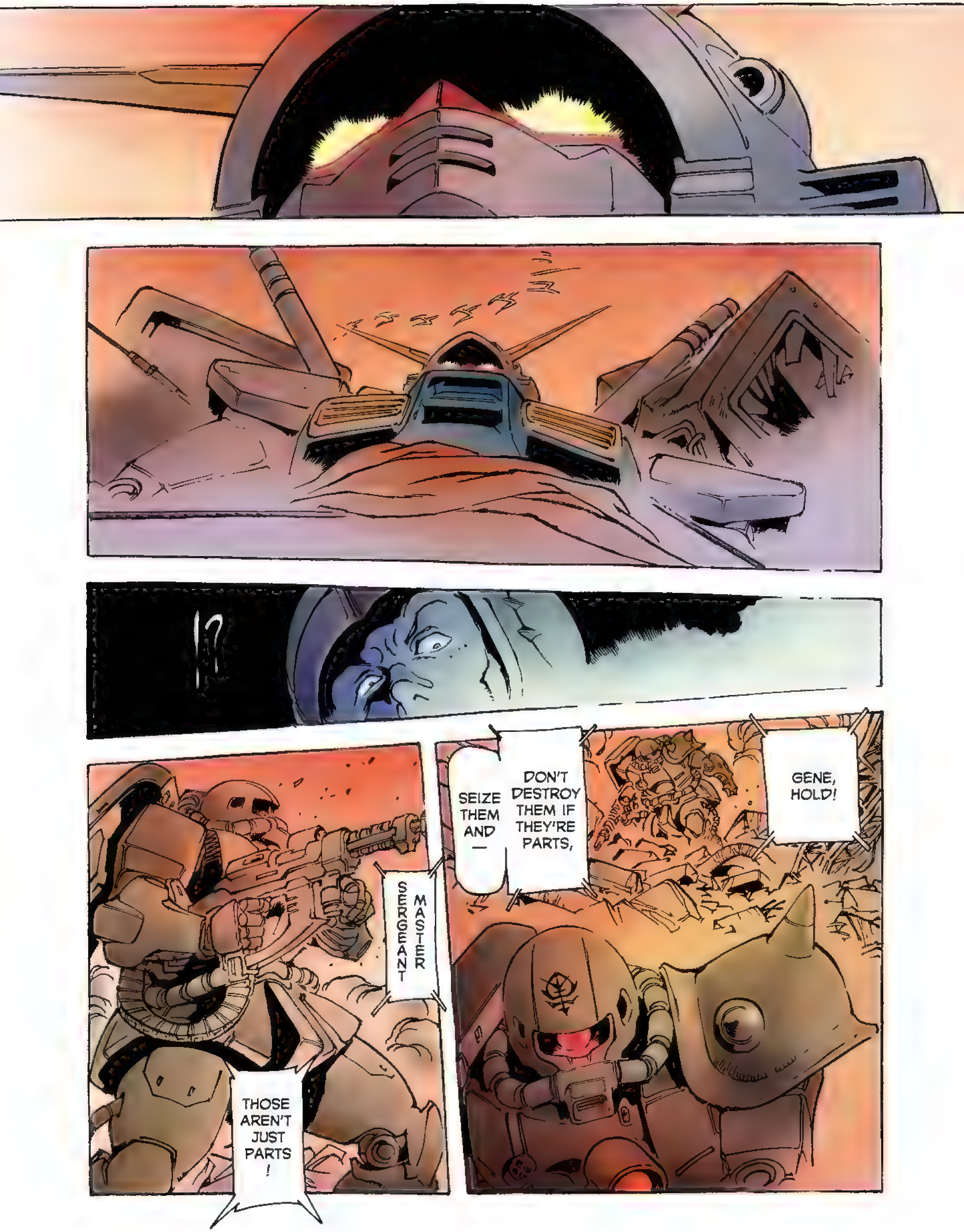

WHOA-!
Ah...
NGH...
AGH!
WHA!


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MASTER SARGE, I TAKE OUT
THE SECOND ONE!!
IT CLOSED ...
I CAN'T ...
SEE A THING.
WHERE IS IT ?!
THERE HAS TO BE A SCREEN !
THIS ?
OR THIS
HERE ?!
CLICK

AH—
YOU SAW THE SCHEMATICS!
DON'T PANIC! THINK!
THIS THING!
RIGHT!
ENERGY MODE!
WHOA!
THE ACTIVATION STICK...
THIS SHOULD BE IT.
A FIVE-FOLD POWER GAIN...
WOW!

GUNDAM !!
MOVE!
DAMN IT...
MOVE!!



!?
GENE, HOLD!
DON'T DESTROY THEM IF THEY'RE PARTS,
SEIZE THEM AND —
MASTER SERGEANT
THOSE AREN'T JUST PARTS!

IT'S MOVING!!
SOME-ONE'S IN THERE!
URK!
U-

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WEAPONS!
WHERE ARE THEY ?!
WHAT DO I USE TO FIGHT ?!
IS THIS IT?!
CLICK

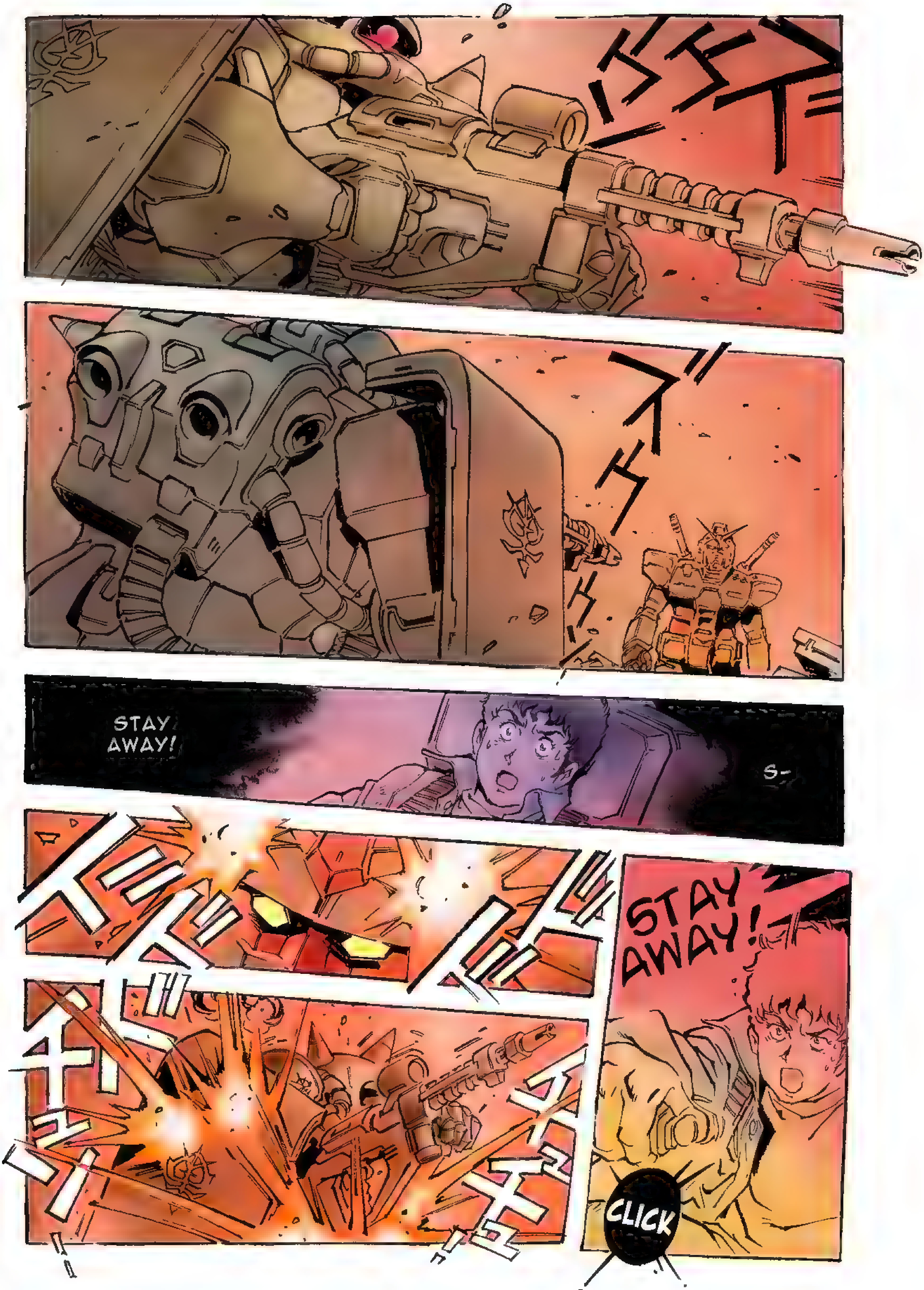

AUGH
!
WE
WE'VE GOT A LIVE ONE
!
THIS GUY ...!!
VUL-CANS IN THE HEAD ...
AND THIS IS THE TRIG-GER,
HUH
?
OKAY
!


CRICK
SNAP
NNGH
...

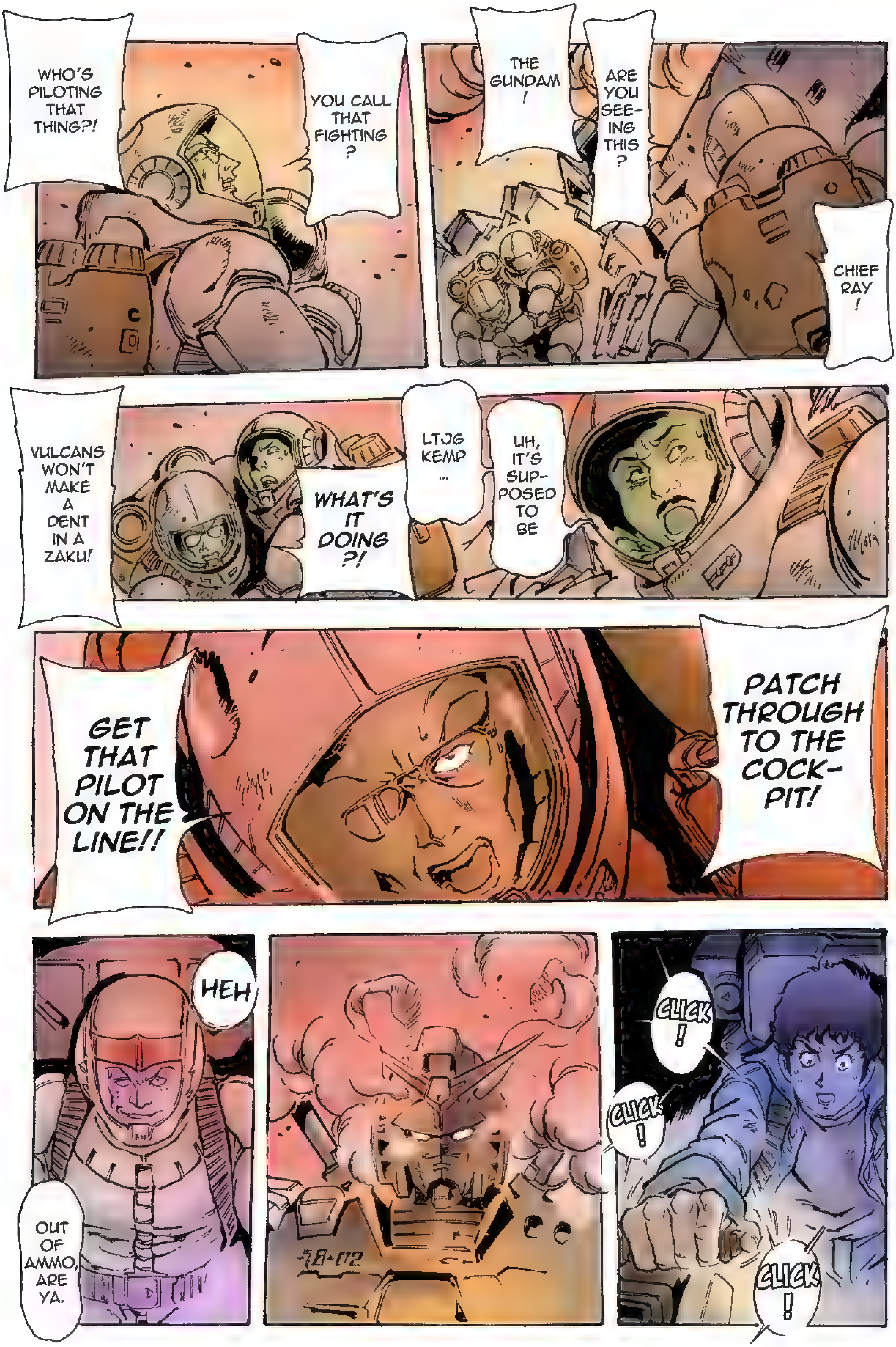

POP
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WATCH OUT, GENE!
IF VULCAN SHELLS ARE THE BEST IT'S GOT...
WELL,
HYPER-RIFLE BULLETS!
THAT THING'S ARMOR REPELS
NO MATTER HOW THICK THAT ARMOR IS!
I'LL BRING IT DOWN!


S-
STAY AWAY!
STAY AWAY!
CLICK

STAY AWAY!!
KLIK
KLIK
KLIK
KLIK
KLIK
STAY AWAY!!
THE GUN-DAM!
IT'S FIGHTING!!


WHO'S PILOTING THAT THING?!
YOU CALL THAT FIGHTING?
THE GUNDAM!
ARE YOU SEE-ING THIS?
CHIEF RAY!
VULCANS WON'T MAKE A DENT IN A ZAKU!
WHAT'S IT DOING?!
LTJG KEMP...
UH, IT'S SUP-POSED TO BE
GET THAT PILOT ON THE LINE!!
PATCH THROUGH TO THE COCK-PIT!
HEH
OUT OF AMMO, ARE YA.
CLICK!
CLICK!
CLICK!

IT'S MY TURN!!
LOOKS LIKE
...
...
HAH. I'D SWEAR THIS MOBILE SUIT IS
PISSING ITS PANTS.
...

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AAGH!

GAH
UNGH





...SO THIS IS...
THE FEDERATION'S NEW MOBILE SUIT'S
MIGHT !!
AGH
AGH
MASTER SERGEANT
MASTER SERGEANT!!


HELP ME!
huff
huff
huff
MASTER SERGEANT !!
WAIT !!


AHH!!
AH
KTONG!
HUH?
WAS THAT ...?!
USE THE BEAM SABER!!


AH HA !!


FZT
ZAP
POP




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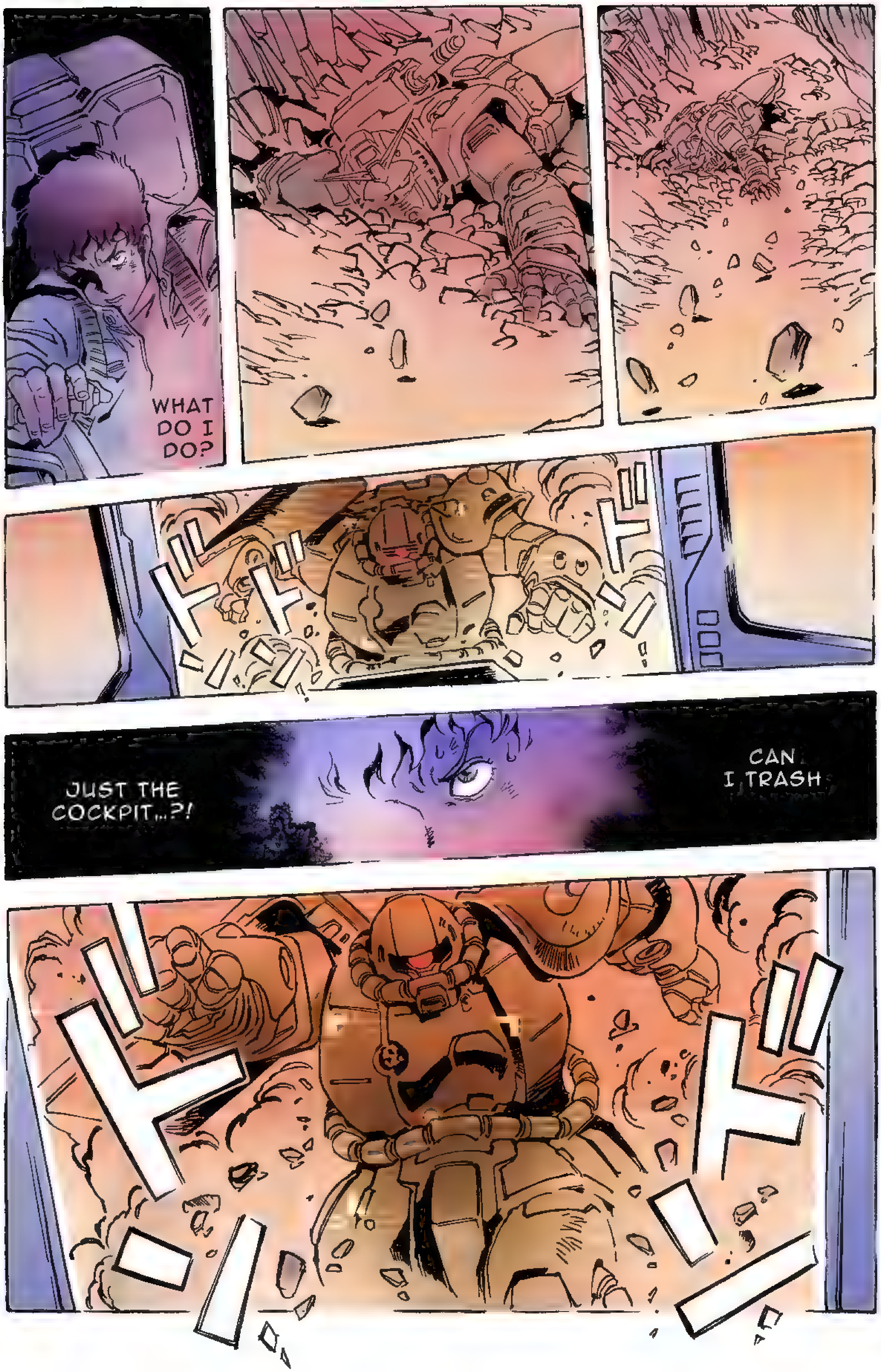



RIGHT— THE ZAKU HAS A REACTOR IN ITS TORSO...
IF THE COLONY TAKES ANY MORE DAMAGE
PEOPLE WON'T BE ABLE TO EVACUATE IN TIME...


THIS IS FOR GENE!!

HAAH
BWOM!
BWO BWOM
NNN-NGH!!


JUST THE DAMN TEST PILOT, HUH?! IT SHOWS!

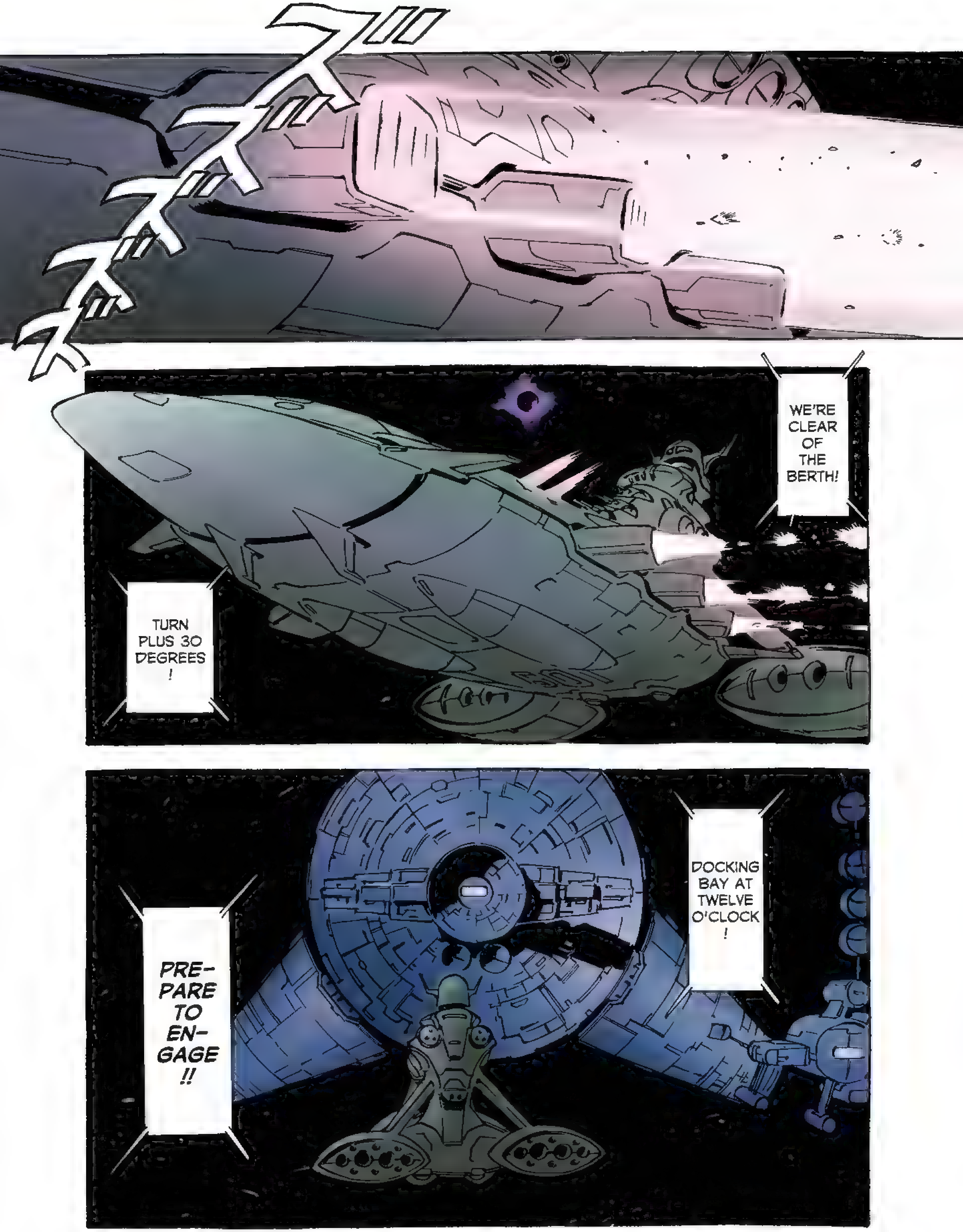

WHAT DO I DO?
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CAN I TRASH
JUST THE COCKPIT..?!
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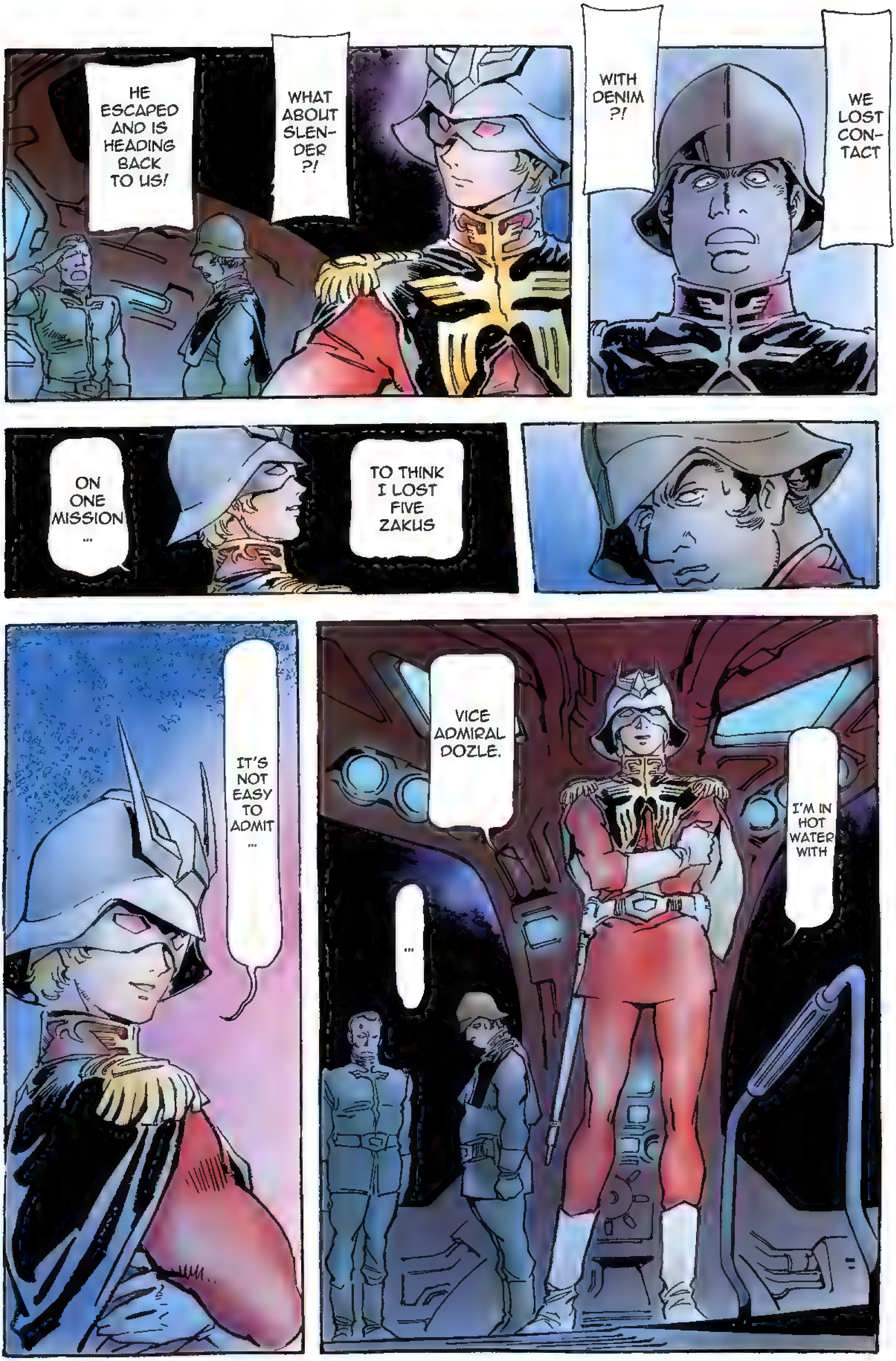


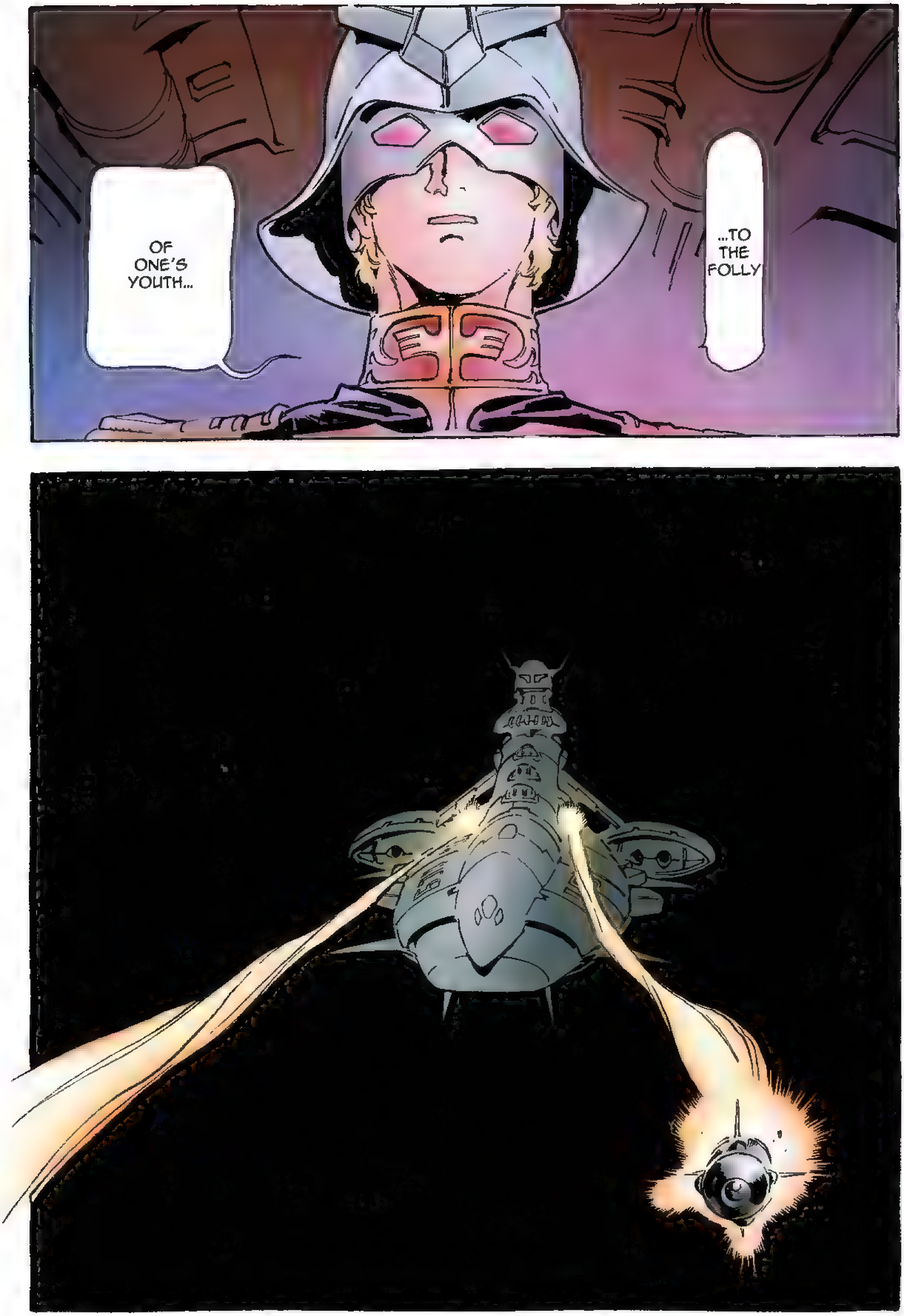

GO TO HELL



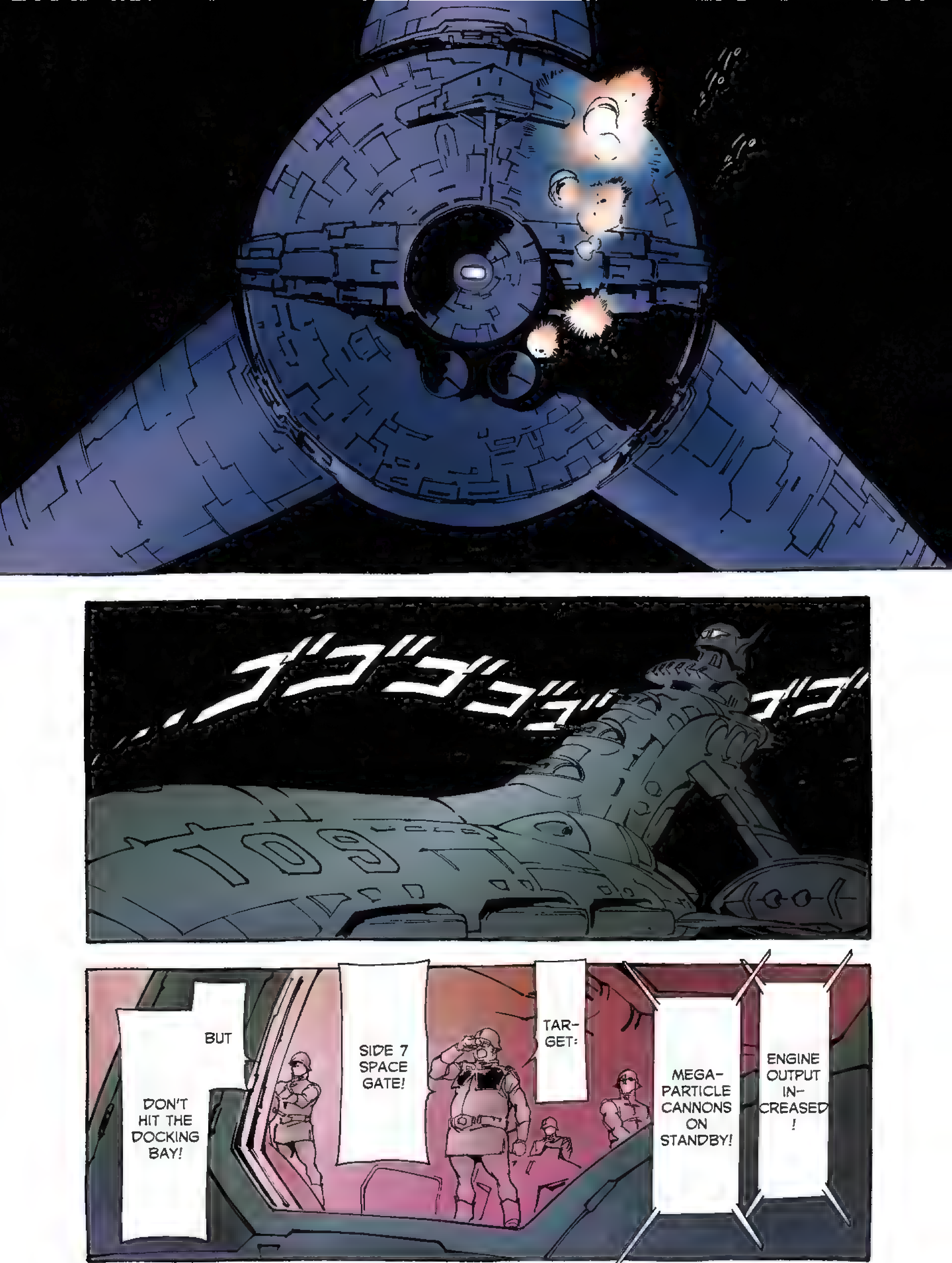

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POP
P-POP
ZAP

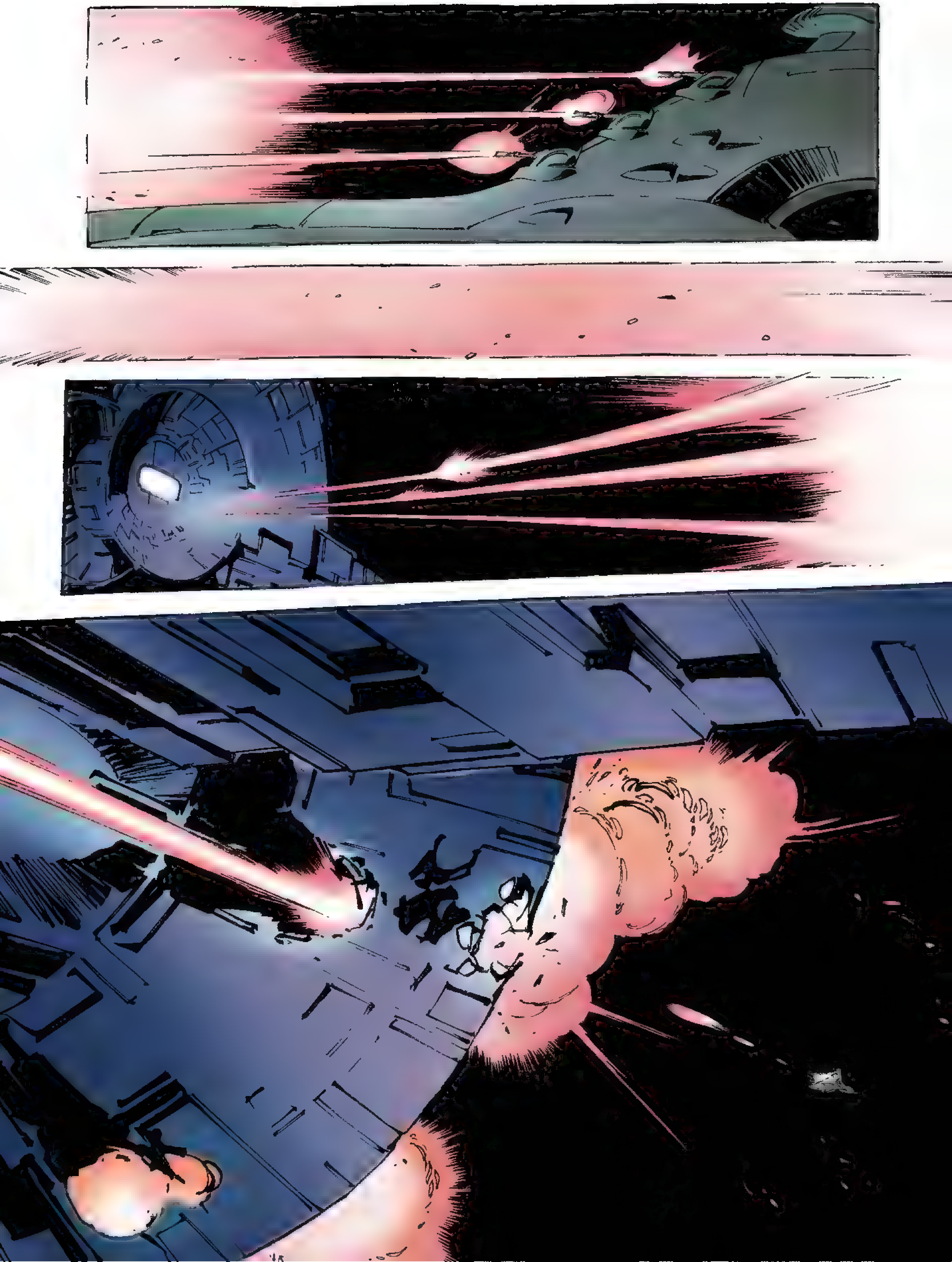

WE'RE CLEAR OF THE BERTH!
TURN PLUS 30 DEGREES!
DOCKING BAY AT TWELVE O'CLOCK!
PRE-PARE TO EN-GAGE!!

WE LOST CONTACT
WITH DENIM ?!
WHAT ABOUT SLENDER ?!
HE ESCAPED AND IS HEADING BACK TO US!
TO THINK I LOST FIVE ZAKUS
ON ONE MISSION ...
I'M IN HOT WATER WITH
VICE ADMIRAL DOZLE.
...
IT'S NOT EASY TO ADMIT ...

...TO THE FOLLY
OF ONE'S YOUTH...

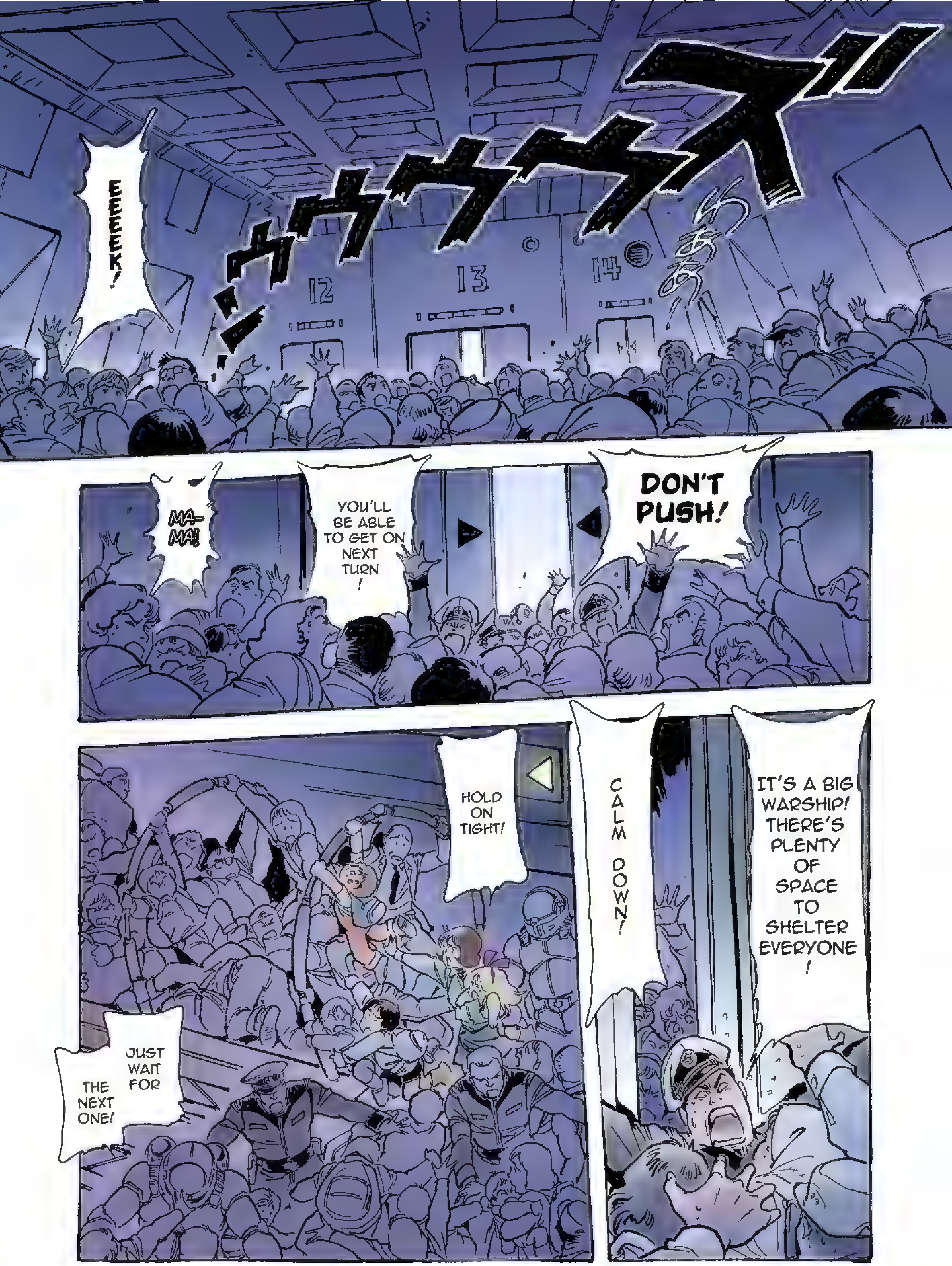
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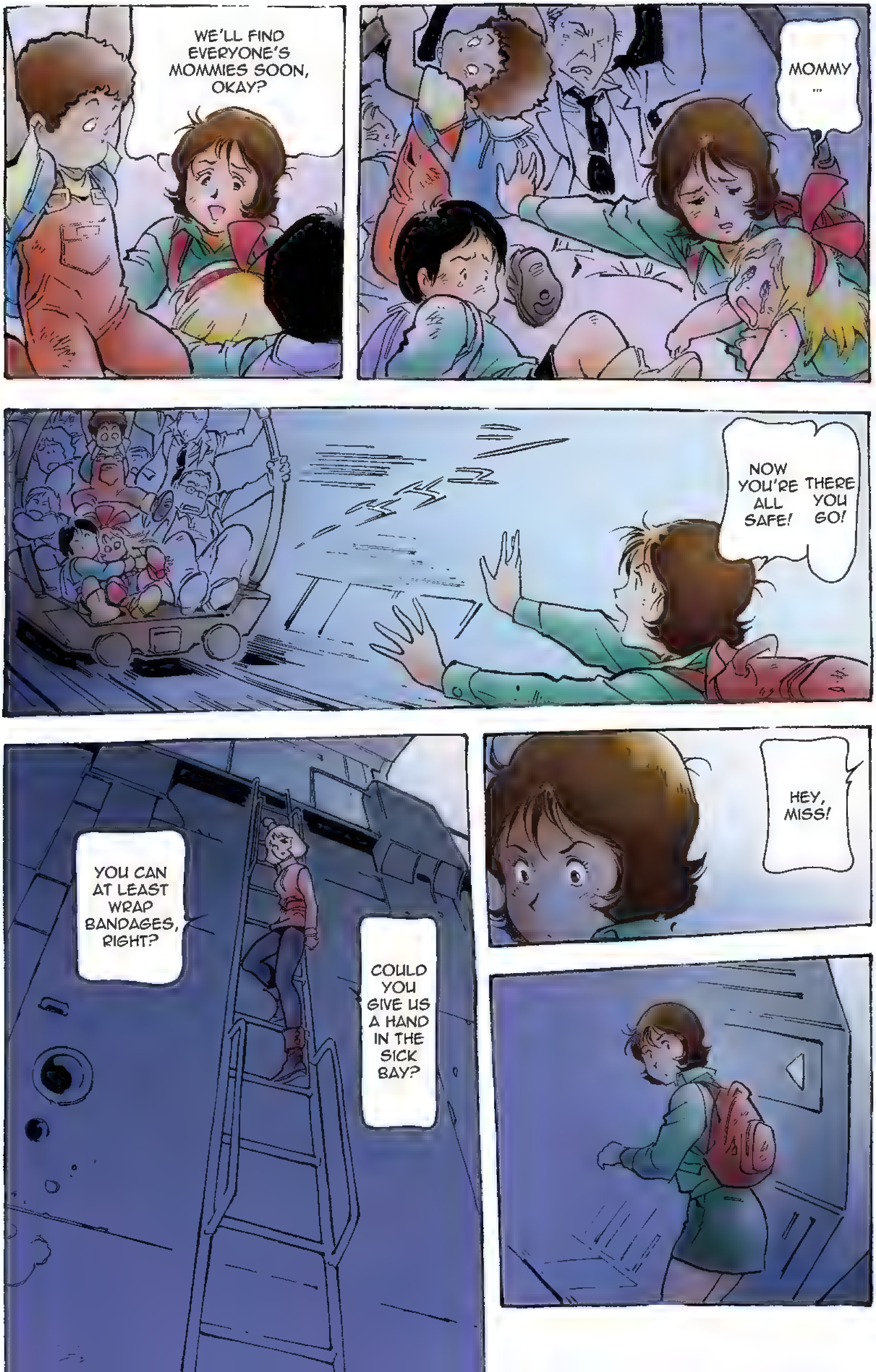

ENGINE OUTPUT IN-CREASED!
MEGA-PARTICLE CANNONS ON STANDBY!
TAR-GET:
SIDE 7 SPACE GATE!
BUT
DON'T HIT THE DOCKING BAY!



THAT MUSAI'S FIRING ON US!
WE HAVE NO CHOICE BUT TO ENGAGE.
SO MUCH FOR THE TREATY.
WE HAVE TO BUY SOME TIME
UNTIL THE GUNDAM MAKES IT ABOARD.
THAT'S UNWISE!
WE'RE UP AGAINST A CRUISER!
I'LL GO.
BRING OUT A GUN-BOAT.
CAPTAIN!!
LTJG BRIGHT!


TAKE THE BRIDGE UNTIL I RETURN.
ME?
ER
ME, SIR ?!
YES, SIR!
B...
BUT, SIR ...
YES. YOUR GRADES IN COMMAND TRAINING WERE OUTSTANDING.
...
OF COURSE,
I DOUBT THE SHIP'LL END UP LEAVING PORT UNDER YOUR COMMAND.
FEAR NOT.


EEEEK!
MA-MA!
YOU'LL BE ABLE TO GET ON NEXT TURN!
DON'T PUSH!
HOLD ON TIGHT!
JUST WAIT FOR THE NEXT ONE!
CALM DOWN!
IT'S A BIG WARSHIP! THERE'S PLENTY OF SPACE TO SHELTER EVERYONE!


WE'LL FIND EVERYONE'S MOMMIES SOON, OKAY?
MOMMY ...
NOW YOU'RE ALL SAFE!
THERE YOU GO!
HEY, MISS!
COULD YOU GIVE US A HAND IN THE SICK BAY?
YOU CAN AT LEAST WRAP BANDAGES, RIGHT?


WE ONLY NEED TO DRAW THEIR ATTENTION.
WE'LL HIT THEM ONCE AND PULL BACK.

DON'T START TRYING TO TAKE IT DOWN.
LIEUTENANT, THEY'VE SENT OUT SOMETHING.
HM.
IT'S NOT VERY BIG.
SWAT IT.


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DAMMIT !!


THE FIRST SHIP I EVER CAPTAINED
WAS A TORPEDO GUN-BOAT.
TAKE
THIS!


THAT HURT 'EM,
YES ?!

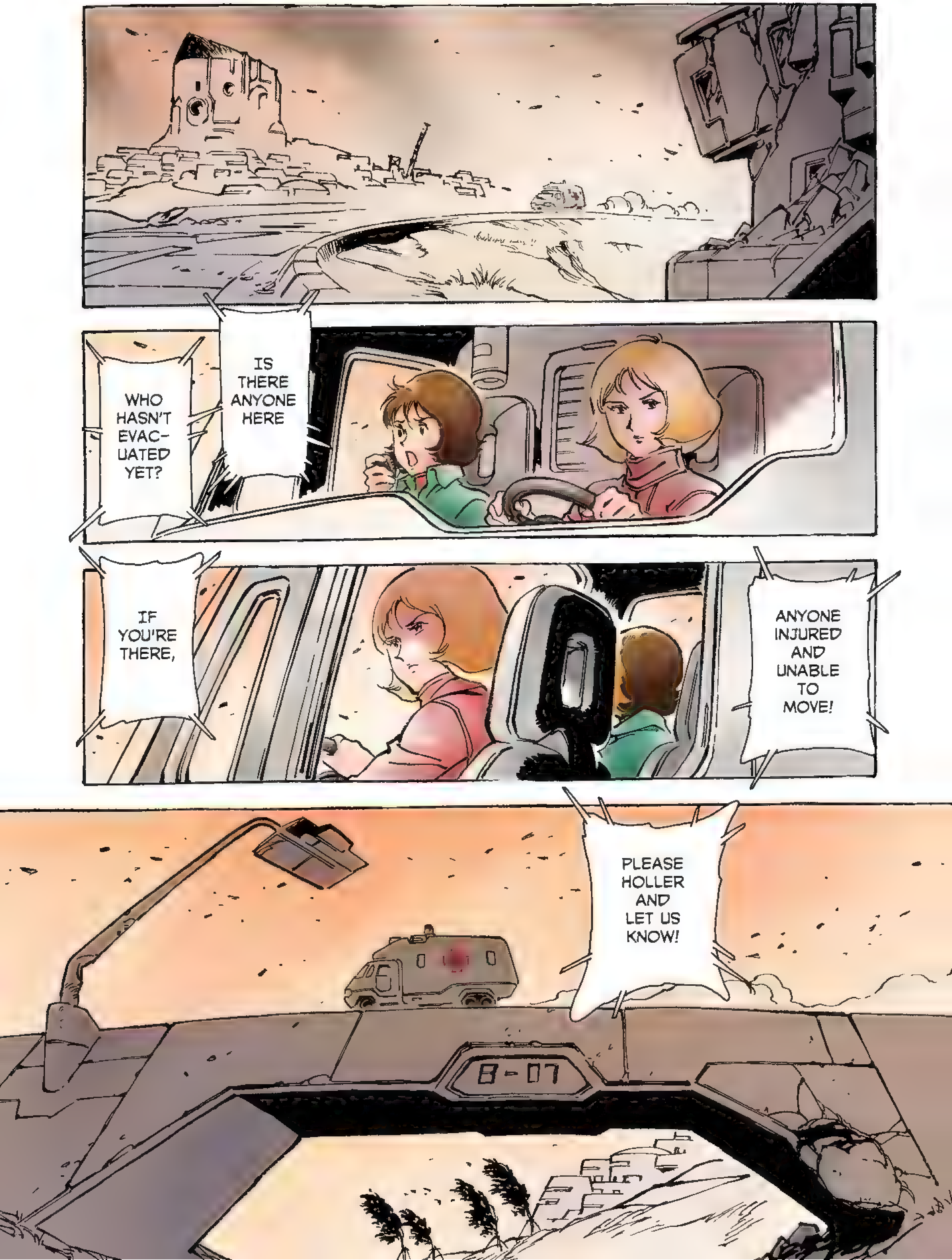

TSK
LOOKS LIKE THE ANGLE WAS TOO SHALLOW.


FIRE EVERY-THING WE'VE GOT AT THEIR BRIDGE!
NGH
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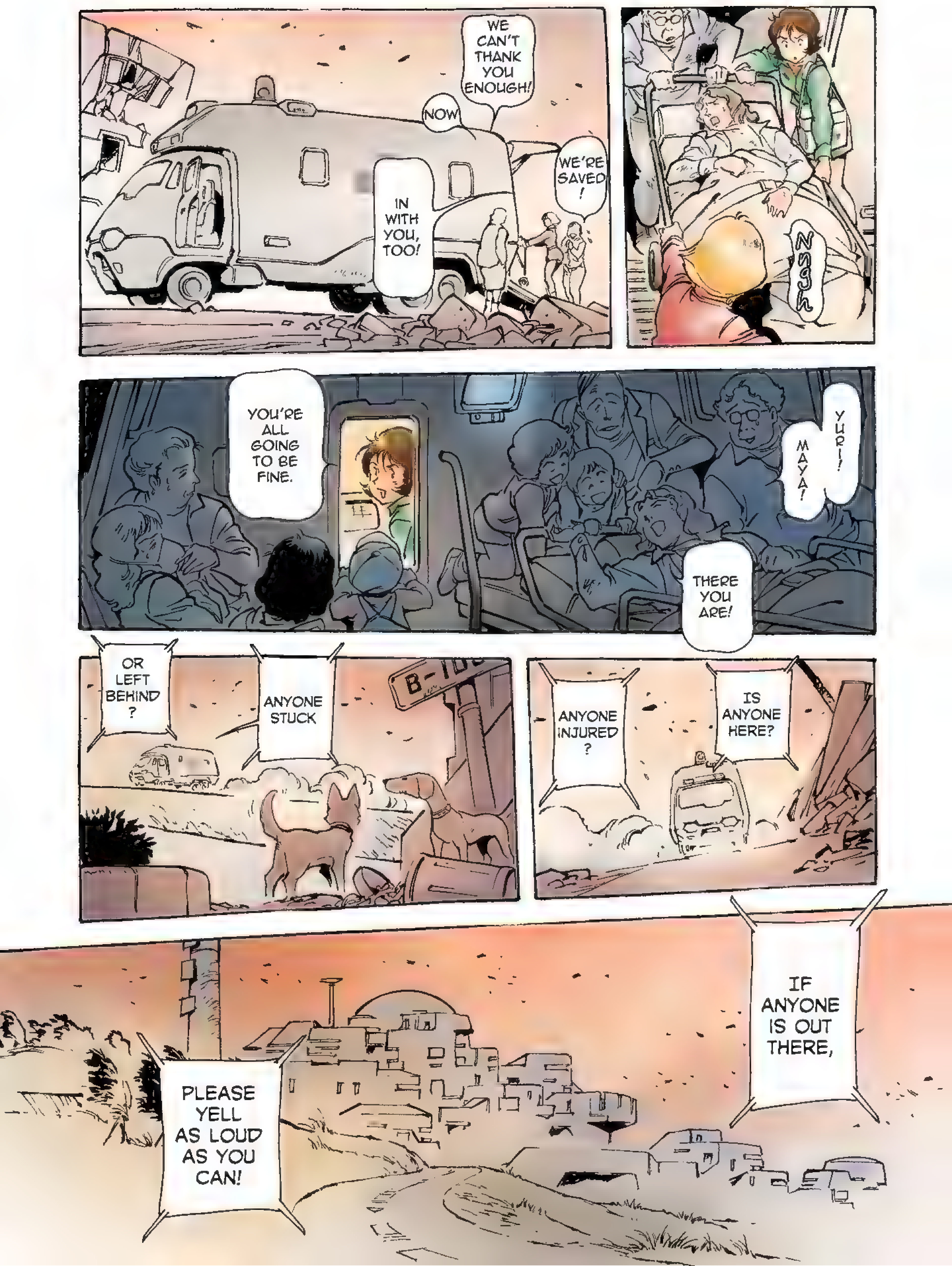

AGH!
SHIT!
THE LEFT EN-GINE'S HIT!
BACK THEN,
THE BOATS ...

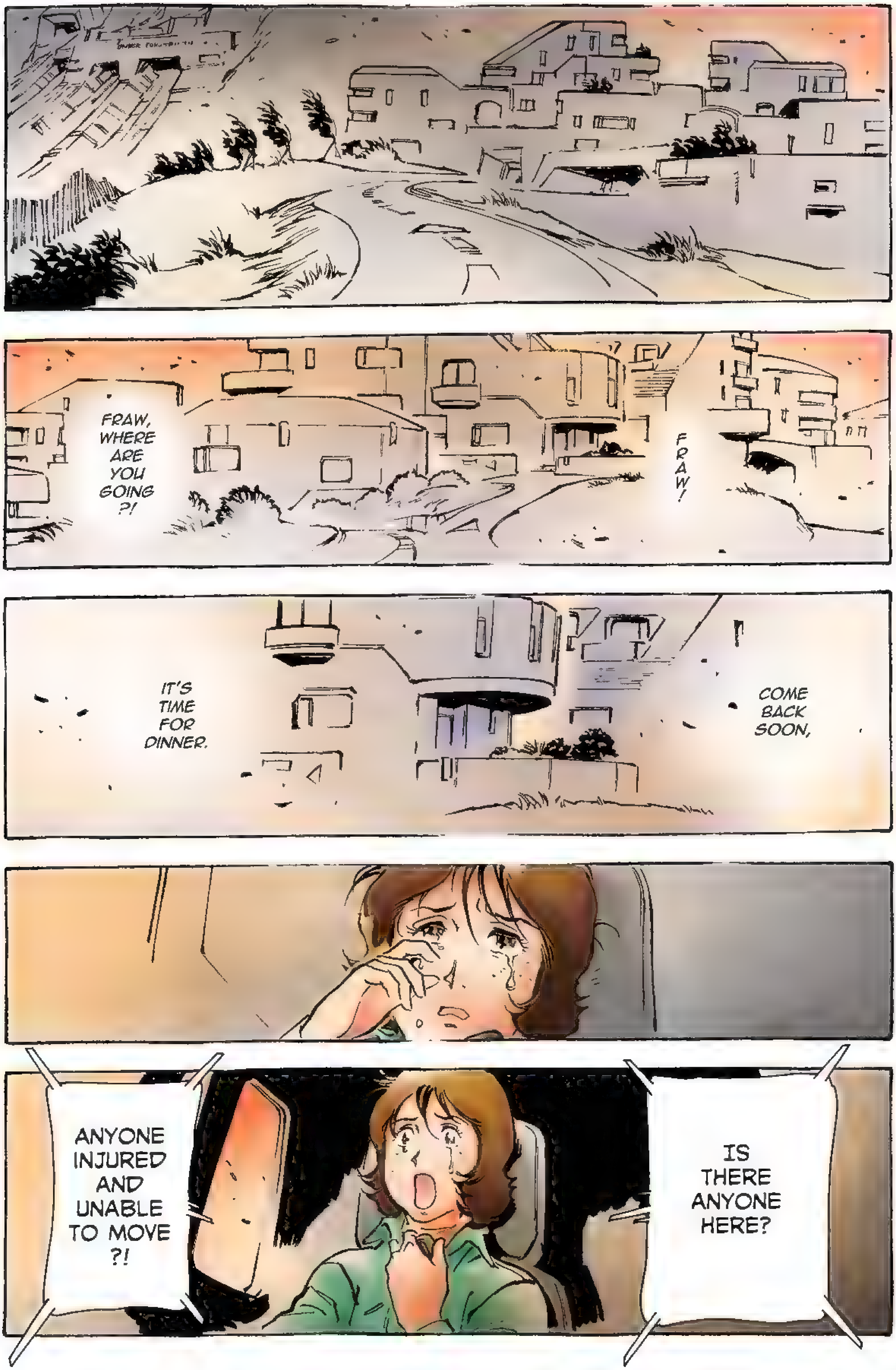

COUGH!
DIDN'T HANDLE NEARLY
SO WELL...
CAPTAIN!!
DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT!
THE BOAT CAN STILL FLY.
WE HAVE TO GET BACK TO THE SHIP!
SIR! PLEASE HOLD ON!
WE HAVE TO GIVE WHITE BASE
MORE TIME...
NO GOOD!

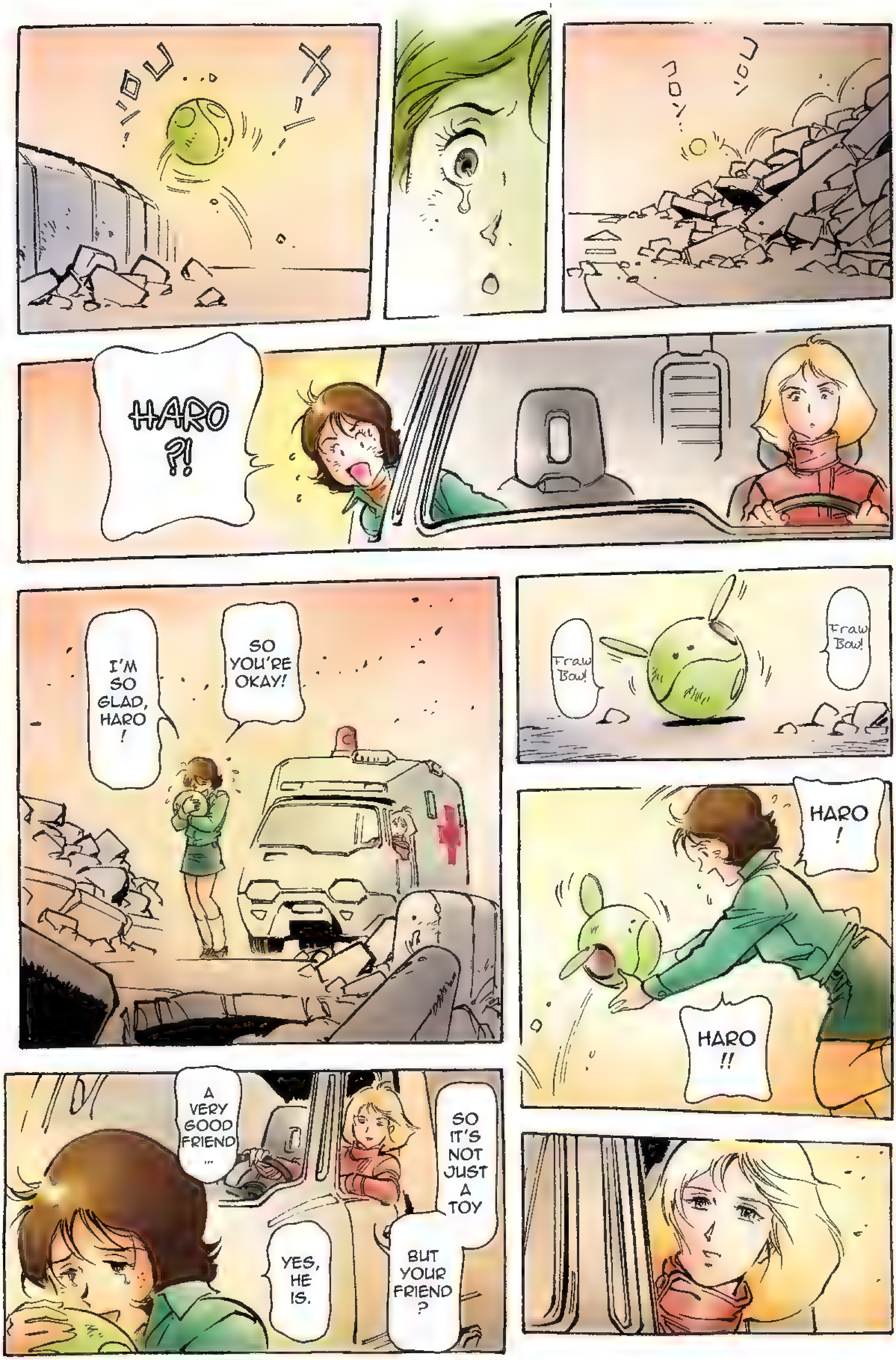


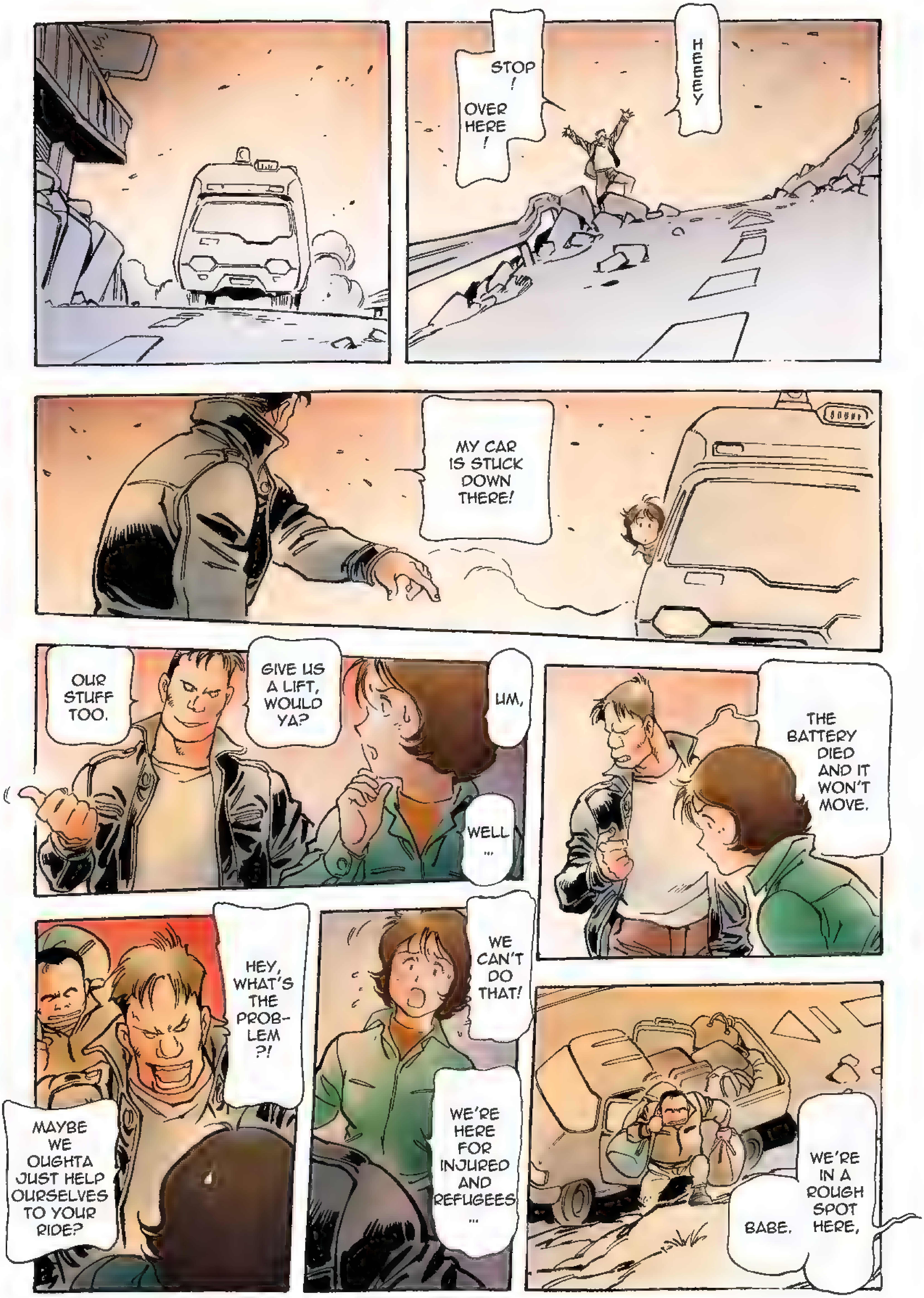

IS THERE ANYONE HERE
WHO HASN'T EVAC-UATED YET?
IF YOU'RE THERE,
ANYONE INJURED AND UNABLE TO MOVE!
PLEASE HOLLER AND LET US KNOW!
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A STRETCHER, ON THE DOUBLE!
A BLOOD TRANSFUSION, STAT!
GENTLY, DAMN IT!
DON'T JOSTLE HIM!
THANK YOU, SERGEANT.
WHAT...
...WAS YOUR NAME AGAIN?
SIR!
RYU JOSE, SIR!!
TAKE CARE OF THE REST.
THE REFUGEES...
AND THE GUNDAM...
AYE AYE,
CAPTAIN!!

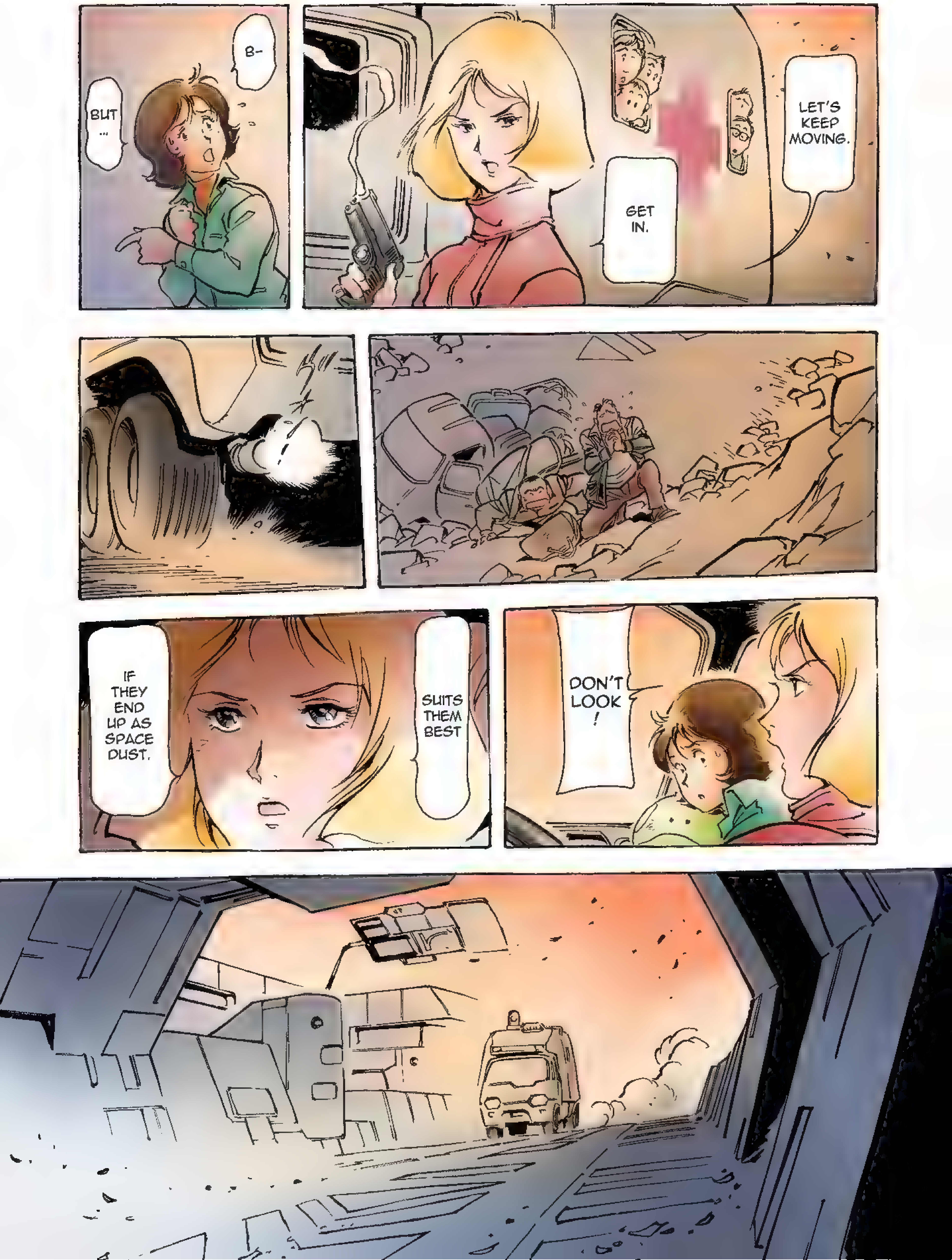

WE CAN'T THANK YOU ENOUGH!
NOW
WE'RE SAVED!
IN WITH YOU, TOO!
Nngh
YOU'RE ALL GOING TO BE FINE.
YURI!
MAYA!
THERE YOU ARE!
OR LEFT BEHIND?
ANYONE STUCK
B-1
ANYONE INJURED?
IS ANYONE HERE?
IF ANYONE IS OUT THERE,
PLEASE YELL AS LOUD AS YOU CAN!


FRAW, WHERE ARE YOU GOING ?!
FRAW!
IT'S TIME FOR DINNER.
COME BACK SOON,
IS THERE ANYONE HERE?
ANYONE INJURED AND UNABLE TO MOVE ?!

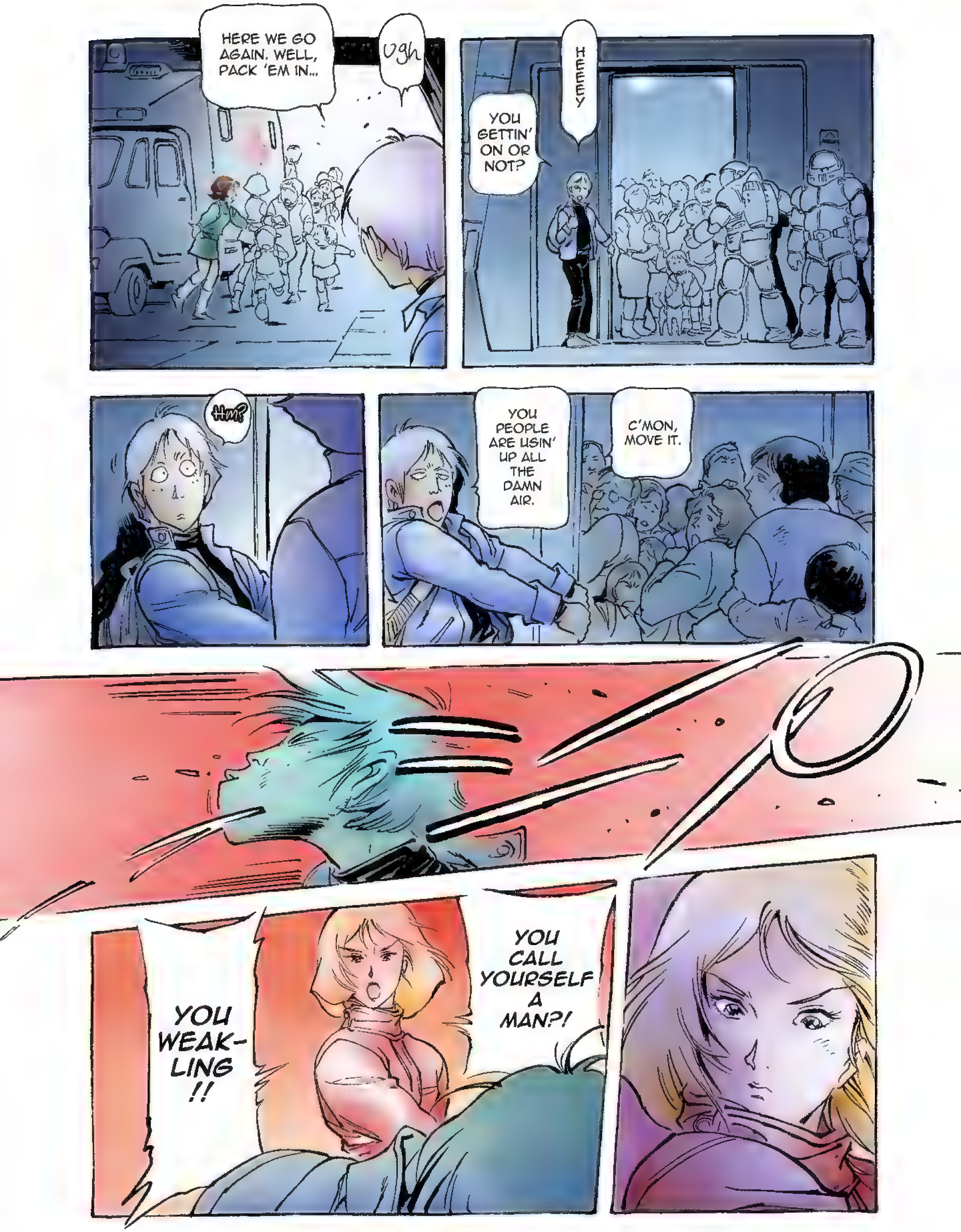

HARO ?!
Fraw Bow!
Fraw Bow!
HARO!
HARO!!
SO YOU'RE OKAY!
I'M SO GLAD, HARO!
SO IT'S NOT JUST A TOY
A VERY GOOD FRIEND...
BUT YOUR FRIEND?
YES, HE IS.

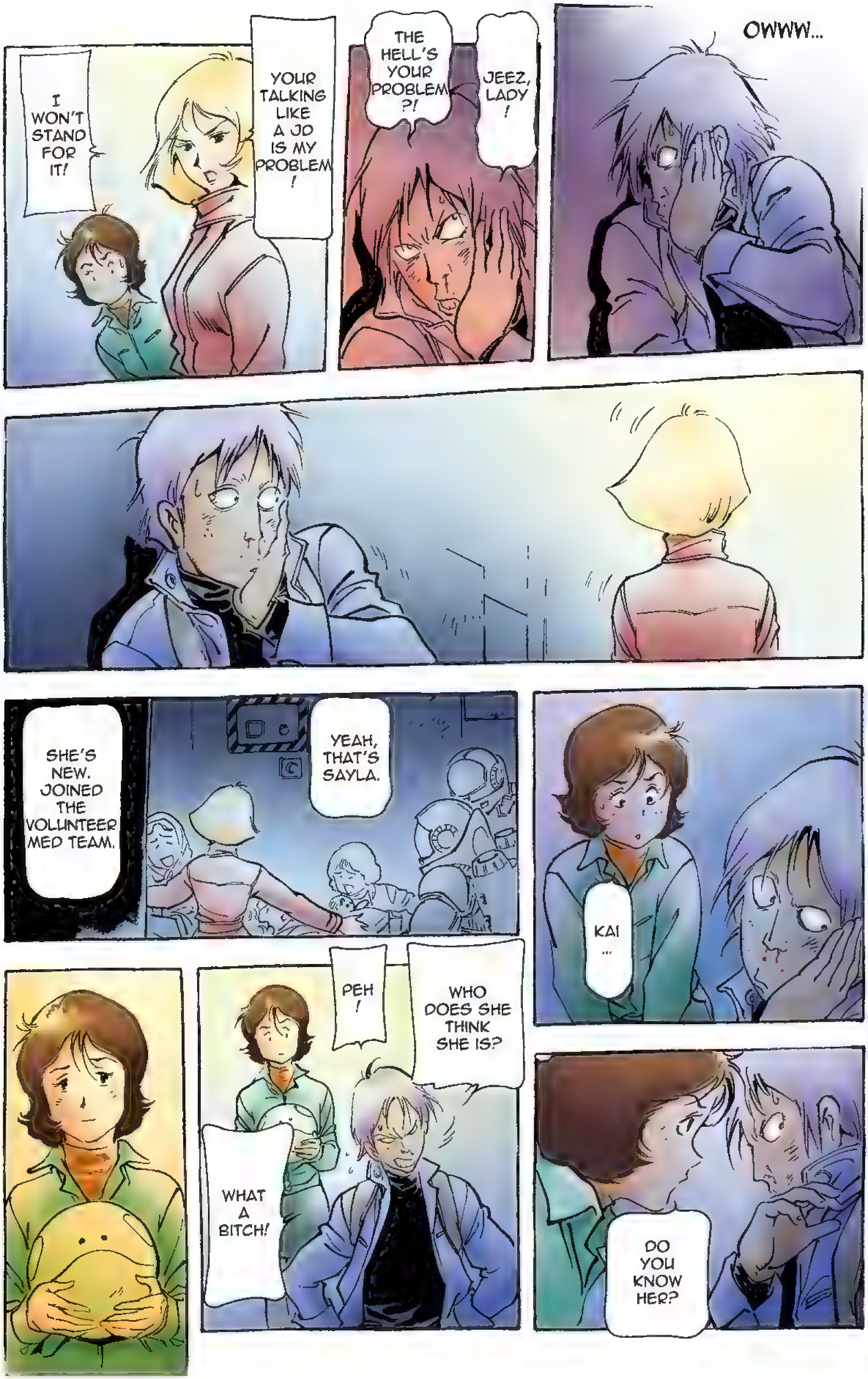

STOP! OVER HERE!
HEEEY
MY CAR IS STUCK DOWN THERE!
OUR STUFF TOO.
GIVE US A LIFT, WOULD YA?
UM,
WELL...
THE BATTERY DIED AND IT WON'T MOVE.
HEY, WHAT'S THE PROB-LEM?!
MAYBE WE OUGHTA JUST HELP OURSELVES TO YOUR RIDE?
WE CAN'T DO THAT!
WE'RE HERE FOR INJURED AND REFUGEES...
WE'RE IN A ROUGH SPOT HERE,
BABE.

GET YOUR HANDS OFF OF THAT GIRL!
THAT'S ENOUGH!
WE DON'T HAVE ANY ROOM
FOR YOUR SORT.
WAAAH!
G-
GAH!!
ACK!



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BUT ...
GET IN.
LET'S KEEP MOVING.
IF THEY END UP AS SPACE DUST,
SUITS THEM BEST
DON'T LOOK!


HERE WE GO AGAIN. WELL, PACK 'EM IN...
Ugh
HEEEY
YOU GETTIN' ON OR NOT?
Hm?
YOU PEOPLE ARE USIN' UP ALL THE DAMN AIR.
C'MON, MOVE IT.
YOU CALL YOURSELF A MAN?!
YOU WEAK-LING!!

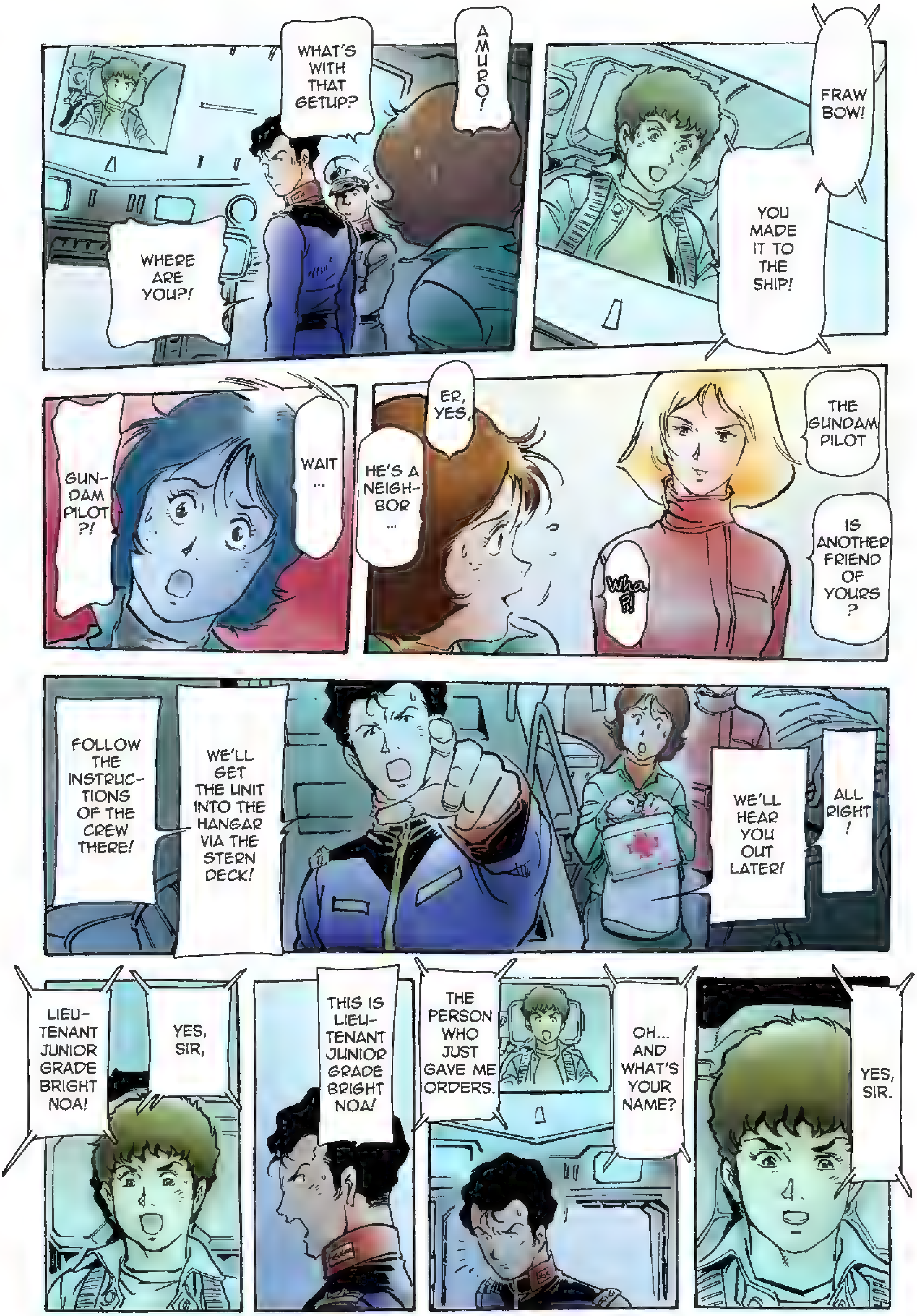

I WON'T STAND FOR IT!
YOUR TALKING LIKE A JD IS MY PROBLEM!
THE HELL'S YOUR PROBLEM?!
JEEZ, LADY!
OWWW...
SHE'S NEW. JOINED THE VOLUNTEER MED TEAM.
YEAH, THAT'S SAYLA.
KAI...
PEH!
WHO DOES SHE THINK SHE IS?
WHAT A BITCH!
DO YOU KNOW HER?

COME IN, *WHITE BASE!* THIS IS ELEVATOR SITE!
THE GUNDAM MADE IT HERE, WALKING BY ITSELF!
WE'LL COLLECT IT ASAP!
SO WE LOAD IT FROM THE STERN DECK?
ROGER!

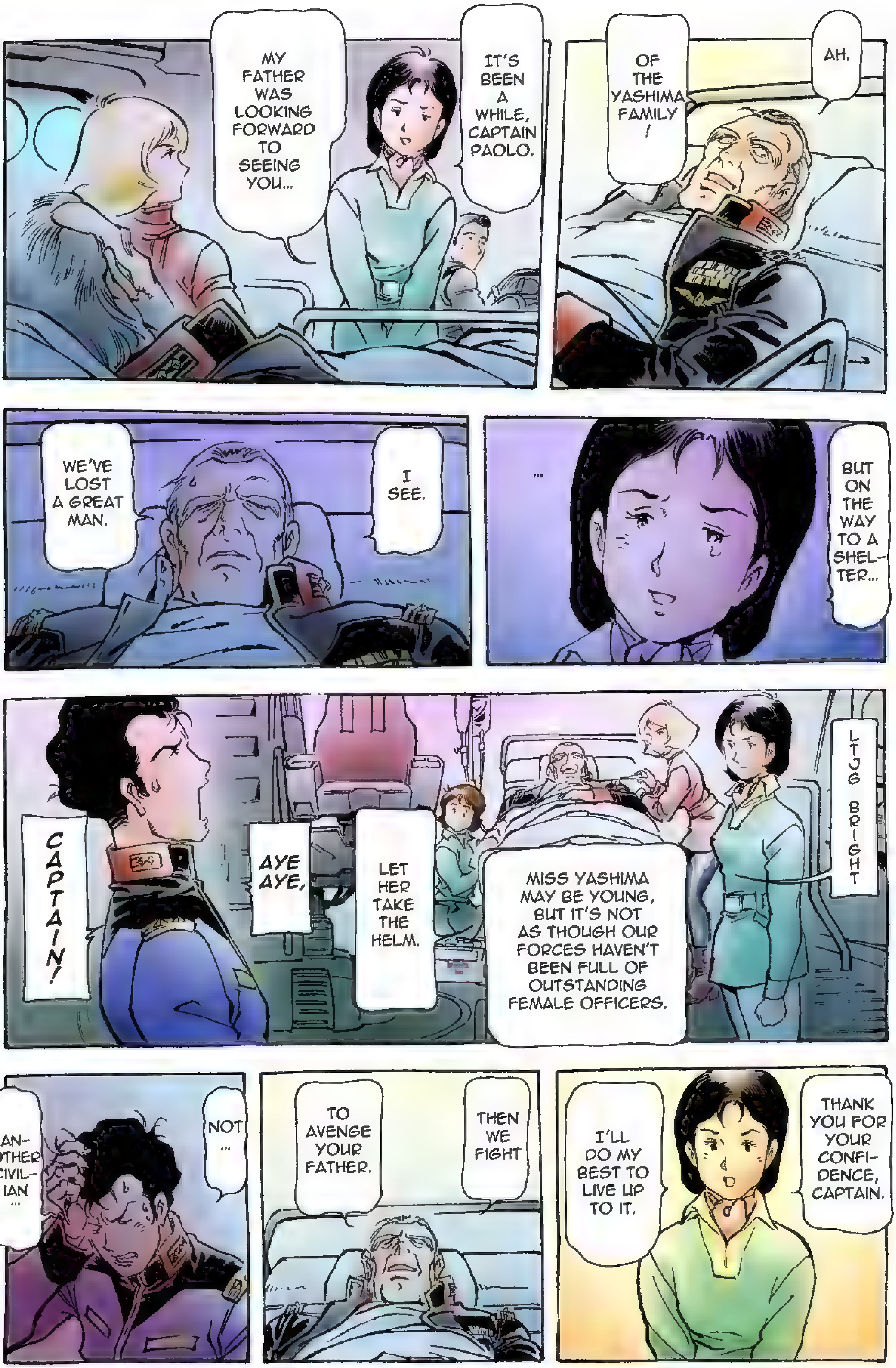

SO THE PILOT MADE IT ...
THAT'S A RELIEF.
WHO IS IT
PILOTING 02?
SHOULD BE LIEUTENANT JUNIOR GRADE WILLIE KEMP, SIR.
CON-TACT HIM.
Yes-sir!
WHAT IS IT?
IT ...
IT'S A KID ...


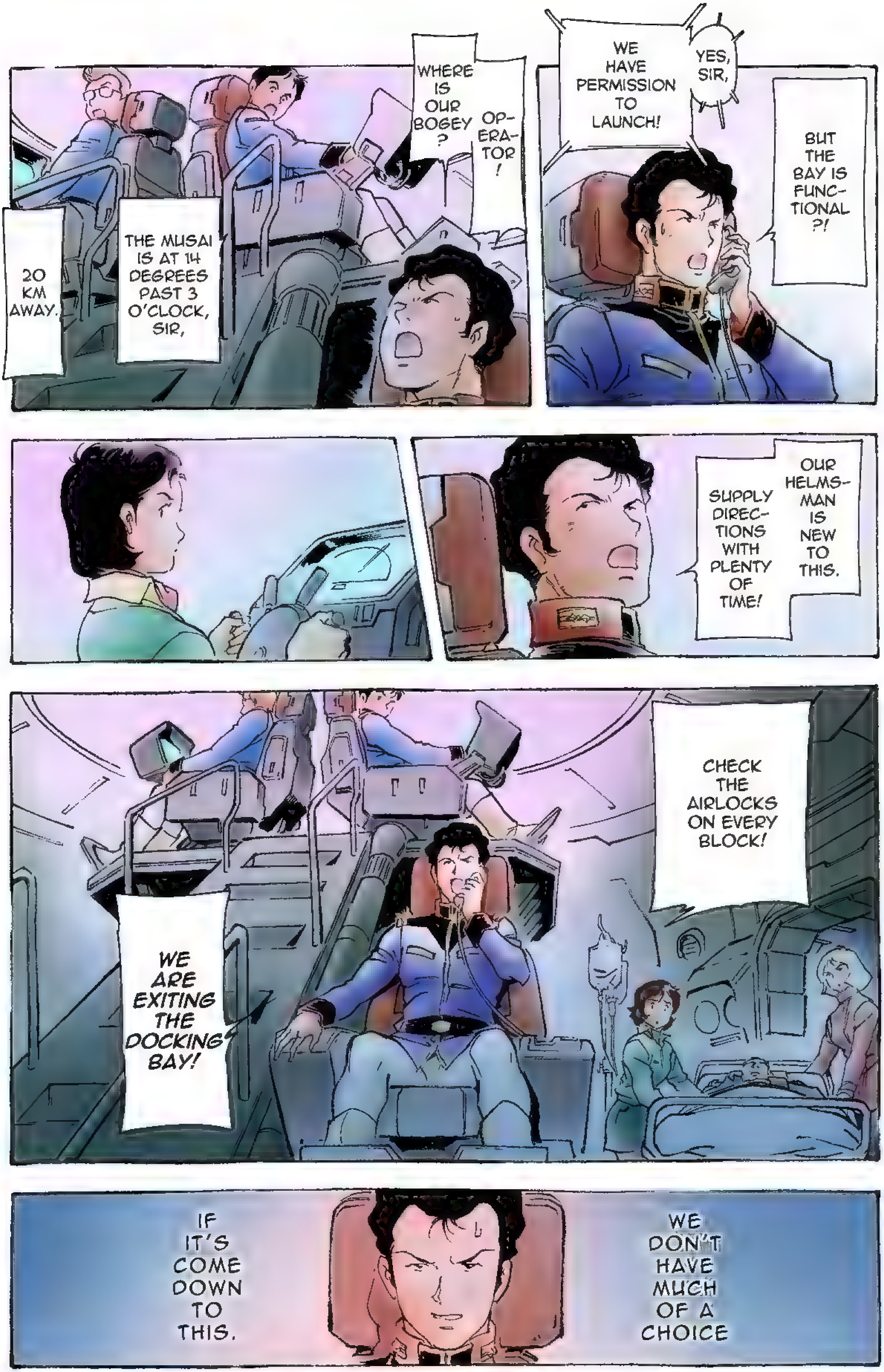
MY NAME IS AMURO RAY!
I'M FIFTEEN YEARS OLD!
I'M NOT A KID!
SIR, THERE'S A KID
IN THE GUNDAM'S COCKPIT!
BUT I'VE BEEN OPERATING IT AND TOOK OUT TWO ZAKUS!
I DON'T KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT THE DESIGNATED PILOT!
DON'T LIKE THAT ?!
WHAT ARE YOU DOING IN THERE ?!
AHEM
WHERE'S LTJG KEMP? WHAT THE HELL...
AMURO!!
LTJG BRIGHT ...
JUST GET THE GUNDAM ABOARD.
WORRY ABOUT THE DETAILS LATER.
YES-SIR.

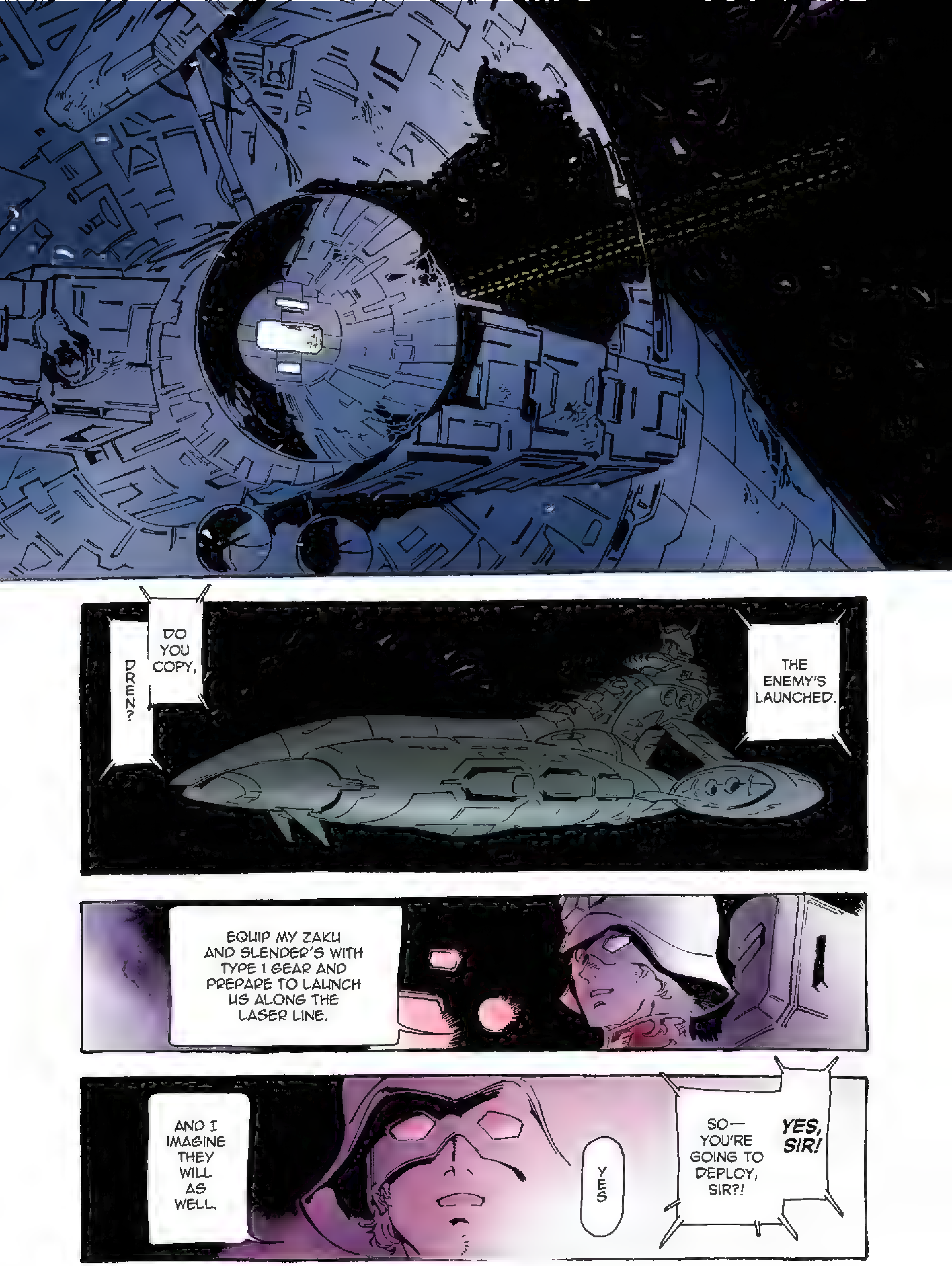

WHAT'S WITH THAT GETUP?
AMURO!
WHERE ARE YOU?!
FRAW BOW!
YOU MADE IT TO THE SHIP!
GUN-DAM PILOT?!
WAIT ...
ER, YES,
HE'S A NEIGH-BOR ...
THE GUNDAM PILOT
IS ANOTHER FRIEND OF YOURS?
Wha?!
FOLLOW THE INSTRUC-TIONS OF THE CREW THERE!
WE'LL GET THE UNIT INTO THE HANGAR VIA THE STERN DECK!
WE'LL HEAR YOU OUT LATER!
ALL RIGHT!
LIEU-TENANT JUNIOR GRADE BRIGHT NOA!
YES, SIR,
THIS IS LIEU-TENANT JUNIOR GRADE BRIGHT NOA!
THE PERSON WHO JUST GAVE ME ORDERS.
OH... AND WHAT'S YOUR NAME?
YES, SIR.

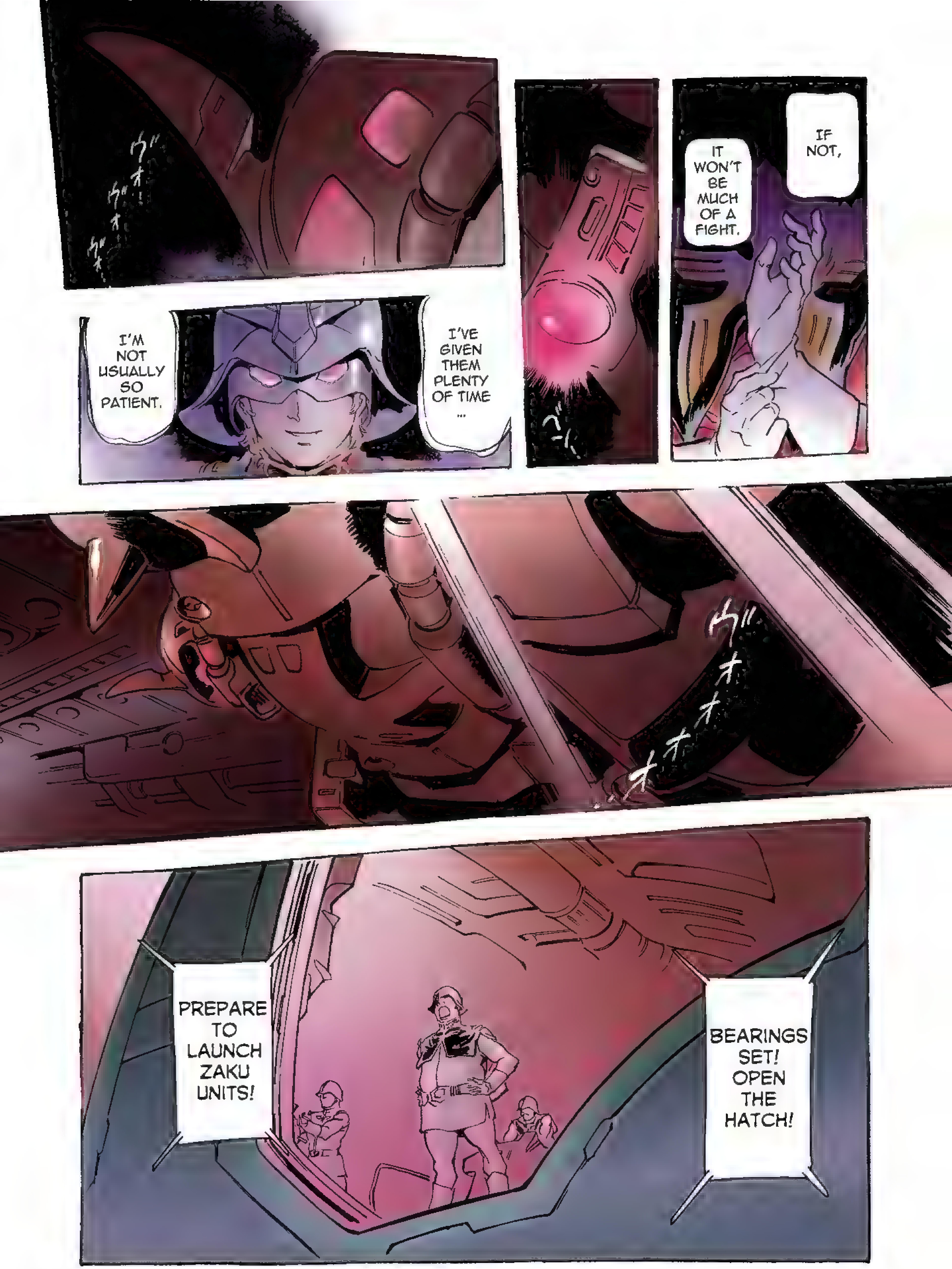

THERE'S SOMETHING WRONG WITH THE GYRO.
I CAN'T CONTROL IT.
WHAT?
LTJG BRIGHT...
WHAT DO YOU MEAN YOU CAN'T?
AREN'T YOU THE HELMSMAN?!
I'M JUST AUXILIARY STAFF...
THE REGULAR HELMSMAN—WAS IN THE EXPLOSION AT THE DOCK...
AND...
THIS SHIP IS A NEW MODEL,
SO THE SIMULATIONS WEREN'T REALLY...
ENOUGH!
LIEUTENANT
AND YOU ARE?
MY NAME IS MIRAI YASHIMA, SIR.
I DO HAVE A LICENSE
TO HELM A SPACE CRUISER.
COULD I BE OF SERVICE?


AH.
OF THE YASHIMA FAMILY!
IT'S BEEN A WHILE, CAPTAIN PAOLO.
MY FATHER WAS LOOKING FORWARD TO SEEING YOU...
BUT ON THE WAY TO A SHEL-TER...
...
I SEE.
WE'VE LOST A GREAT MAN.
LTJG BRIGHT
MISS YASHIMA MAY BE YOUNG, BUT IT'S NOT AS THOUGH OUR FORCES HAVEN'T BEEN FULL OF OUTSTANDING FEMALE OFFICERS.
LET HER TAKE THE HELM.
AYE AYE,
CAPTAIN!
THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONFI-DENCE, CAPTAIN.
I'LL DO MY BEST TO LIVE UP TO IT.
THEN WE FIGHT
TO AVENGE YOUR FATHER.
NOT ...
AN-OTHER CIVIL-IAN ...

TURN COMPLETE!
WE ARE IN POSITION FOR TAKEOFF!
WHAT'S IT LIKE IN THE COLONY NOW?
OXYGEN CONCENTRATION HAS DIPPED BELOW 20.
IT'S A LOST CAUSE.

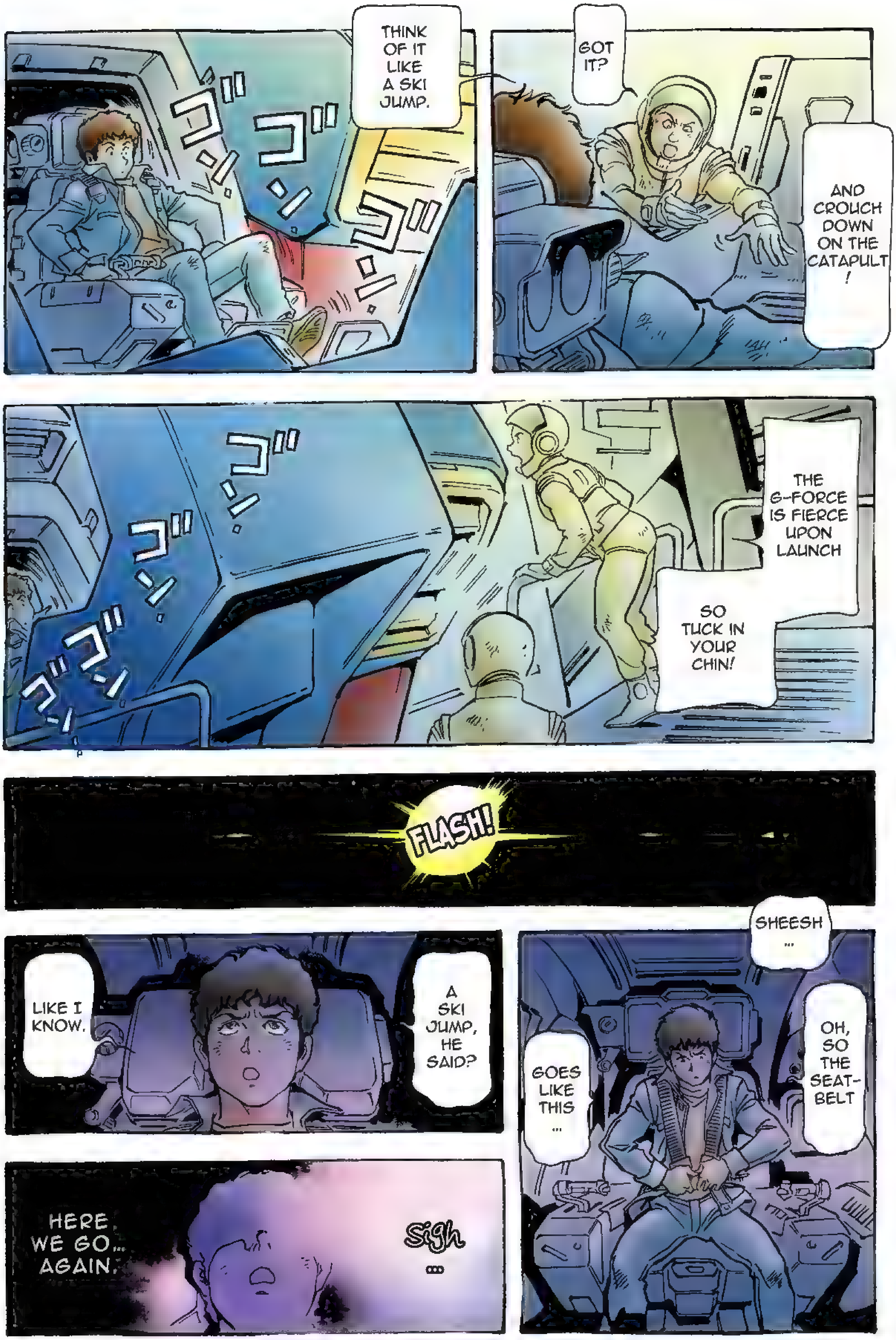

WHERE IS OUR BOGEY? OPERATOR!
THE MUSAI IS AT 14 DEGREES PAST 3 O'CLOCK, SIR,
20 KM AWAY.
YES, SIR,
WE HAVE PERMISSION TO LAUNCH!
BUT THE BAY IS FUNCTIONAL?!
OUR HELMSMAN IS NEW TO THIS.
SUPPLY DIRECTIONS WITH PLENTY OF TIME!
CHECK THE AIRLOCKS ON EVERY BLOCK!
WE ARE EXITING THE DOCKING BAY!
IF IT'S COME DOWN TO THIS.
WE DON'T HAVE MUCH OF A CHOICE

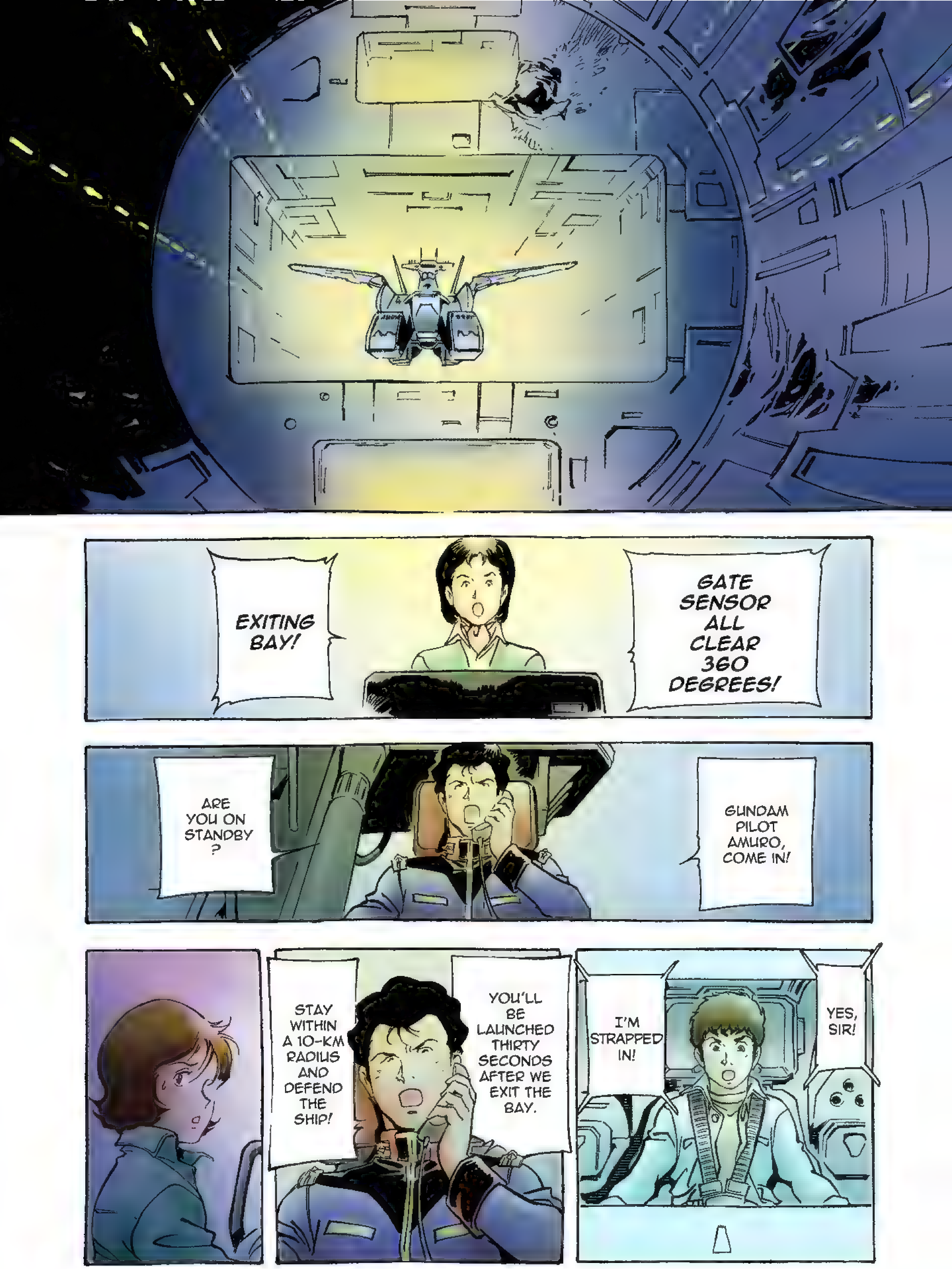

THE ENEMY'S LAUNCHED.
DO YOU COPY,
DREN?
EQUIP MY ZAKU AND SLENDER'S WITH TYPE 1 GEAR AND PREPARE TO LAUNCH US ALONG THE LASER LINE.
YES, SIR!
SO— YOU'RE GOING TO DEPLOY, SIR?!
YES
AND I IMAGINE THEY WILL AS WELL.

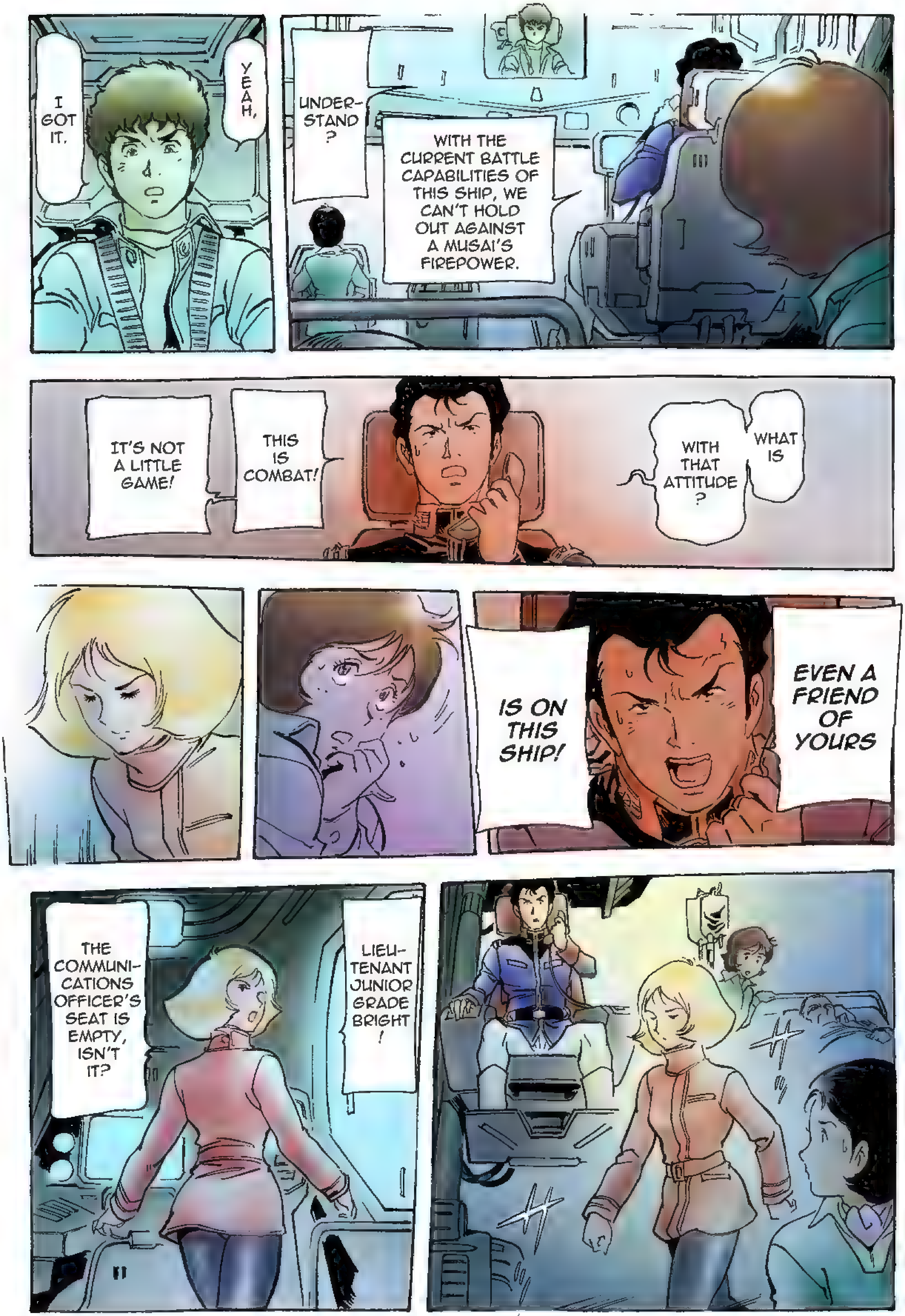


I'M NOT USUALLY SO PATIENT.
I'VE GIVEN THEM PLENTY OF TIME ...
IF NOT,
IT WON'T BE MUCH OF A FIGHT.
PREPARE TO LAUNCH ZAKU UNITS!
BEARINGS SET! OPEN THE HATCH!


VERNIER TEST, OK!
EQUIPMENT LOAD COMPLETE!
PILOT!
BOARD THE UNIT, NOW!
THE VULCAN CANNON BARRELS ARE BURNED OUT. YOU CAN'T USE THEM THIS TIME.
THE SHOULDER MAGNUMS HAVE A LIMITED AMOUNT OF AMMO, SO USE THEM CAREFULLY!
ANY QUESTIONS ABOUT THE BEAM RIFLE?!

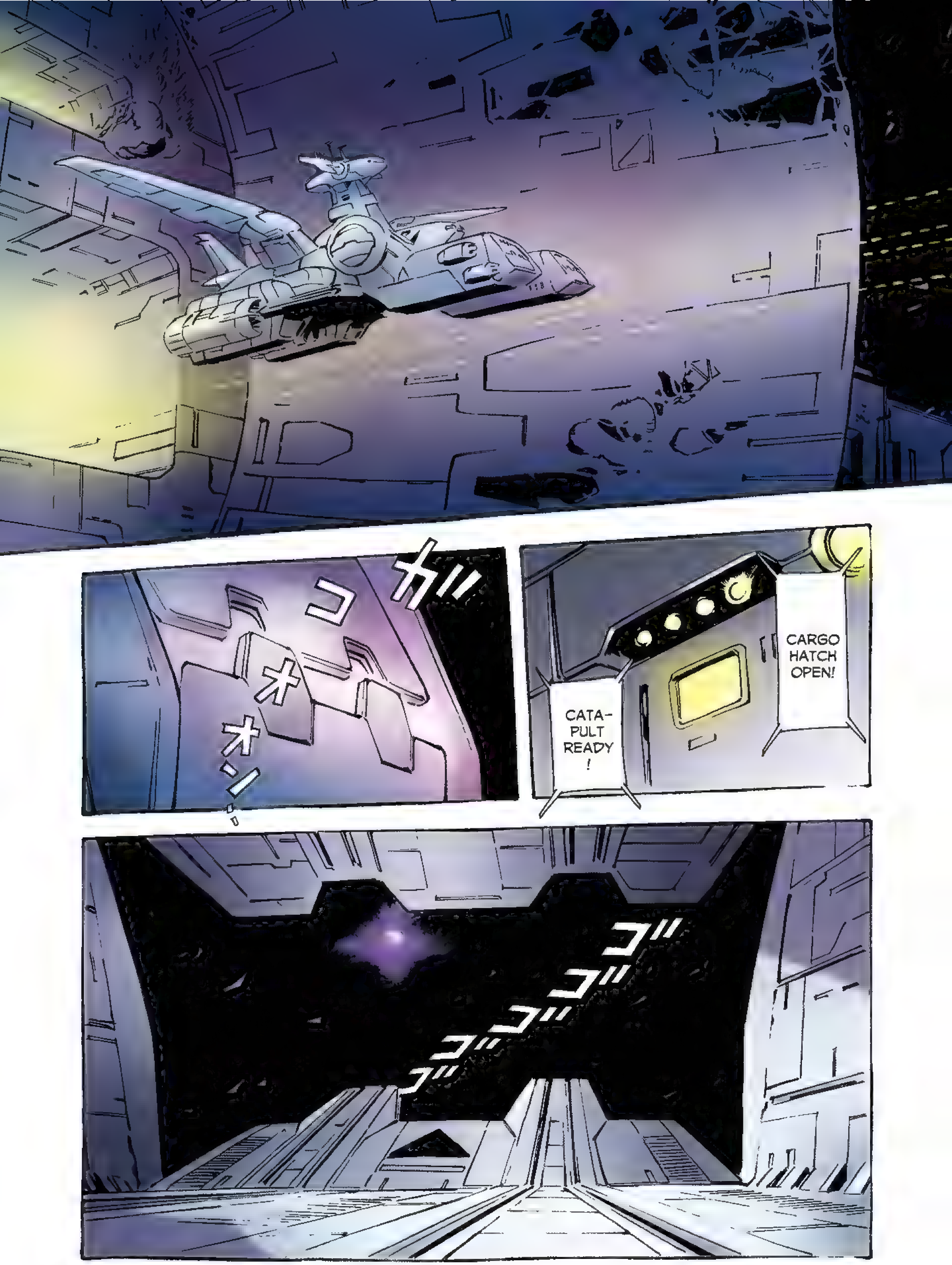

THINK OF IT LIKE A SKI JUMP.
GOT IT?
AND CROUCH DOWN ON THE CATAPULT!
THE G-FORCE IS FIERCE UPON LAUNCH
SO TUCK IN YOUR CHIN!
FLASH!
LIKE I KNOW.
A SKI JUMP, HE SAID?
SHEESH...
OH, SO THE SEAT-BELT
GOES LIKE THIS...
HERE WE GO... AGAIN.
Sigh...


EXITING BAY!
GATE SENSOR ALL CLEAR 360 DEGREES!
GUNDAM PILOT AMURO, COME IN!
ARE YOU ON STANDBY ?
YOU'LL BE LAUNCHED THIRTY SECONDS AFTER WE EXIT THE BAY.
STAY WITHIN A 10-KM RADIUS AND DEFEND THE SHIP!
YES, SIR!
I'M STRAPPED IN!

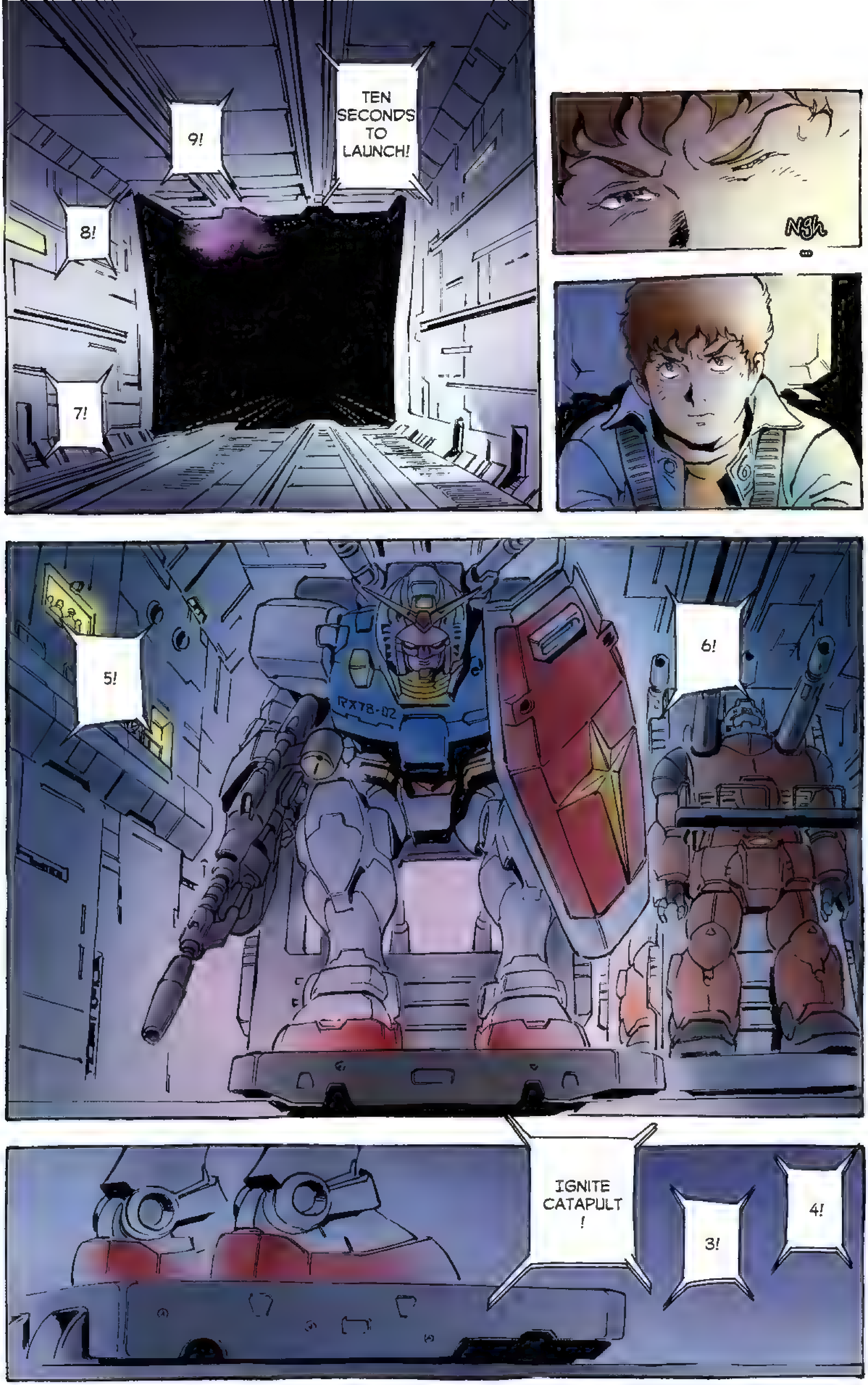

WITH THE CURRENT BATTLE CAPABILITIES OF THIS SHIP, WE CAN'T HOLD OUT AGAINST A MUSAI'S FIREPOWER.
UNDER-STAND?
YEAH,
I GOT IT.
WHAT IS
WITH THAT ATTITUDE?
THIS IS COMBAT!
IT'S NOT A LITTLE GAME!
EVEN A FRIEND OF YOURS
IS ON THIS SHIP!
LIEU-TENANT JUNIOR GRADE BRIGHT!
THE COMMUNI-CATIONS OFFICER'S SEAT IS EMPTY, ISN'T IT?



I'LL TAKE CARE OF COMMS WITH THE GUNDAM,
SO PLEASE CONCENTRATE ON RUNNING THE SHIP, SIR.
I KNOW.
YOU GOT THE RUNDOWN ON YOUR EQUIPMENT, YES?
THE BEAM RIFLE'S VERY POWERFUL, BUT YOU HAVE TO TAKE CARE NOT TO OVERUSE IT!
ITS ENERGY WON'T LAST.
HMPH!
Mutter
THE MAINTENANCE STAFFER
TOLD ME JUST NOW!
RELEASE MINOVSKY PARTICLES AT BATTLE DENSITY!
ALL ANTI-AIR BLOCKS, GEAR UP FOR INTERDICTION!

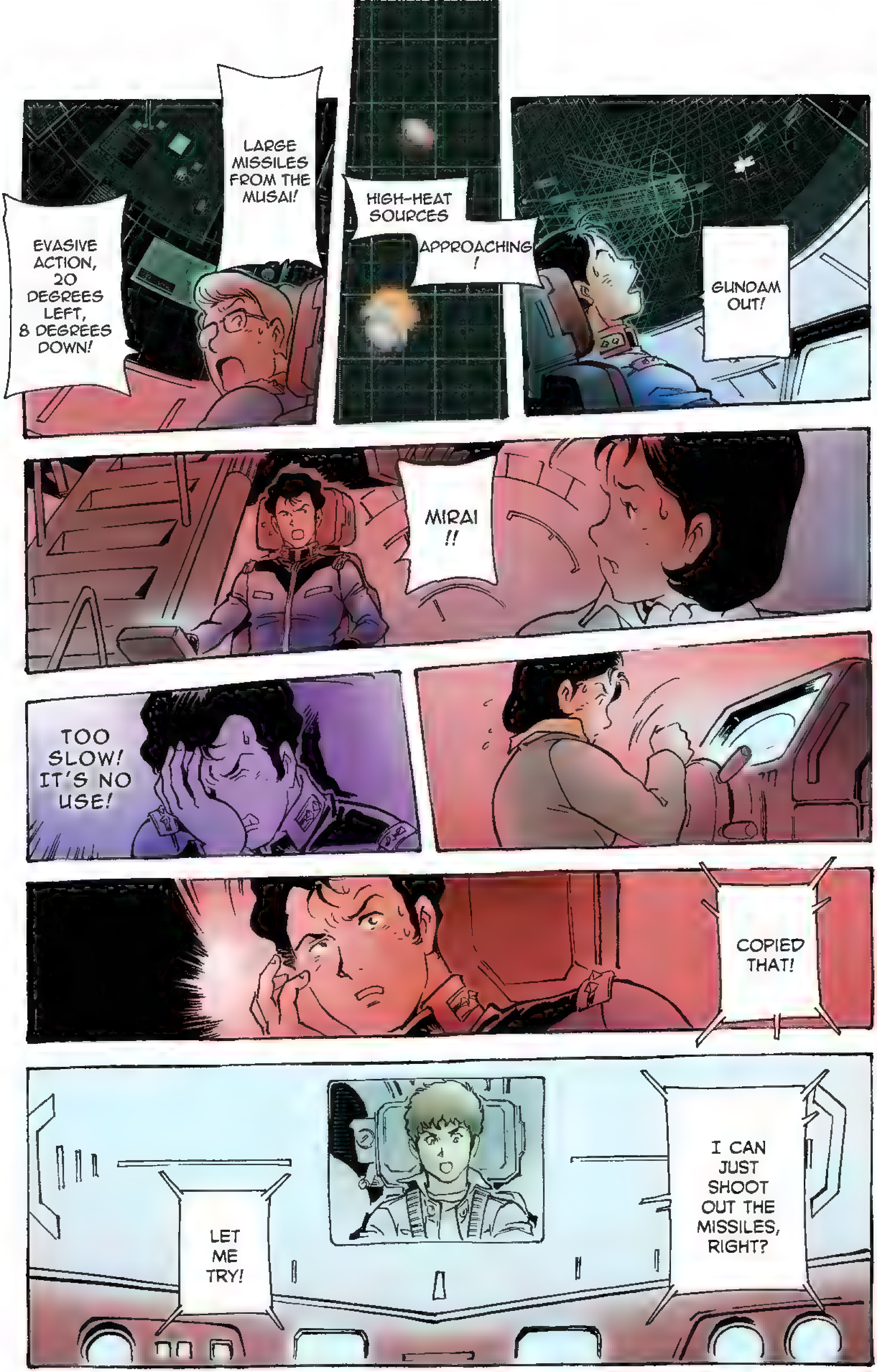


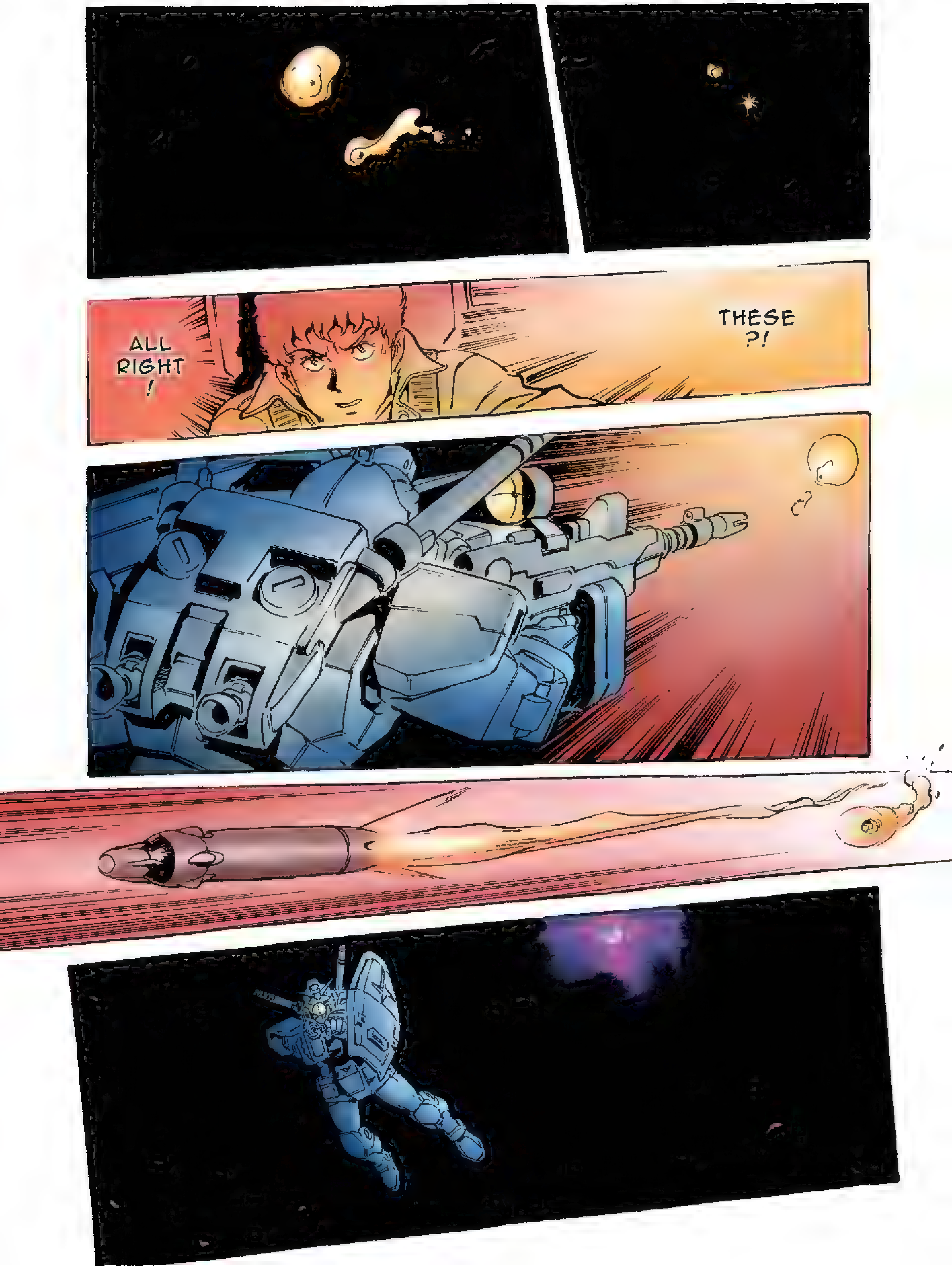
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CARGO HATCH OPEN!
CATA-PULT READY!
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TEN SECONDS TO LAUNCH!
9!
8!
7!
Ngh
...
5!
6!
IGNITE CATAPULT !
4!
3!


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Whew

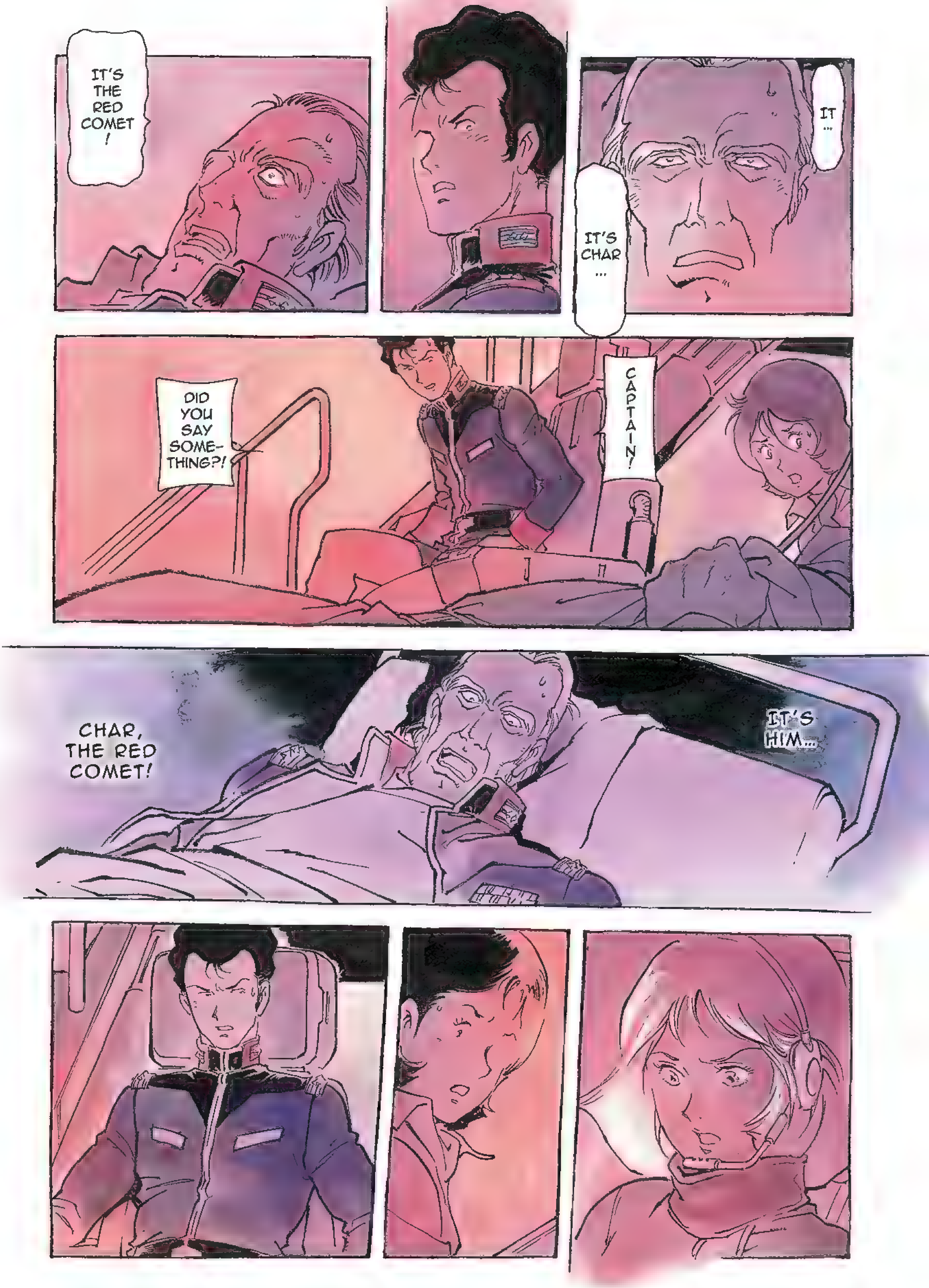

EVASIVE ACTION, 20 DEGREES LEFT, 8 DEGREES DOWN!
LARGE MISSILES FROM THE MUSAI!
HIGH-HEAT SOURCES
APPROACHING !
GUNDAM OUT!
MIRAI !!
TOO SLOW! IT'S NO USE!
COPIED THAT!
I CAN JUST SHOOT OUT THE MISSILES, RIGHT?
LET ME TRY!

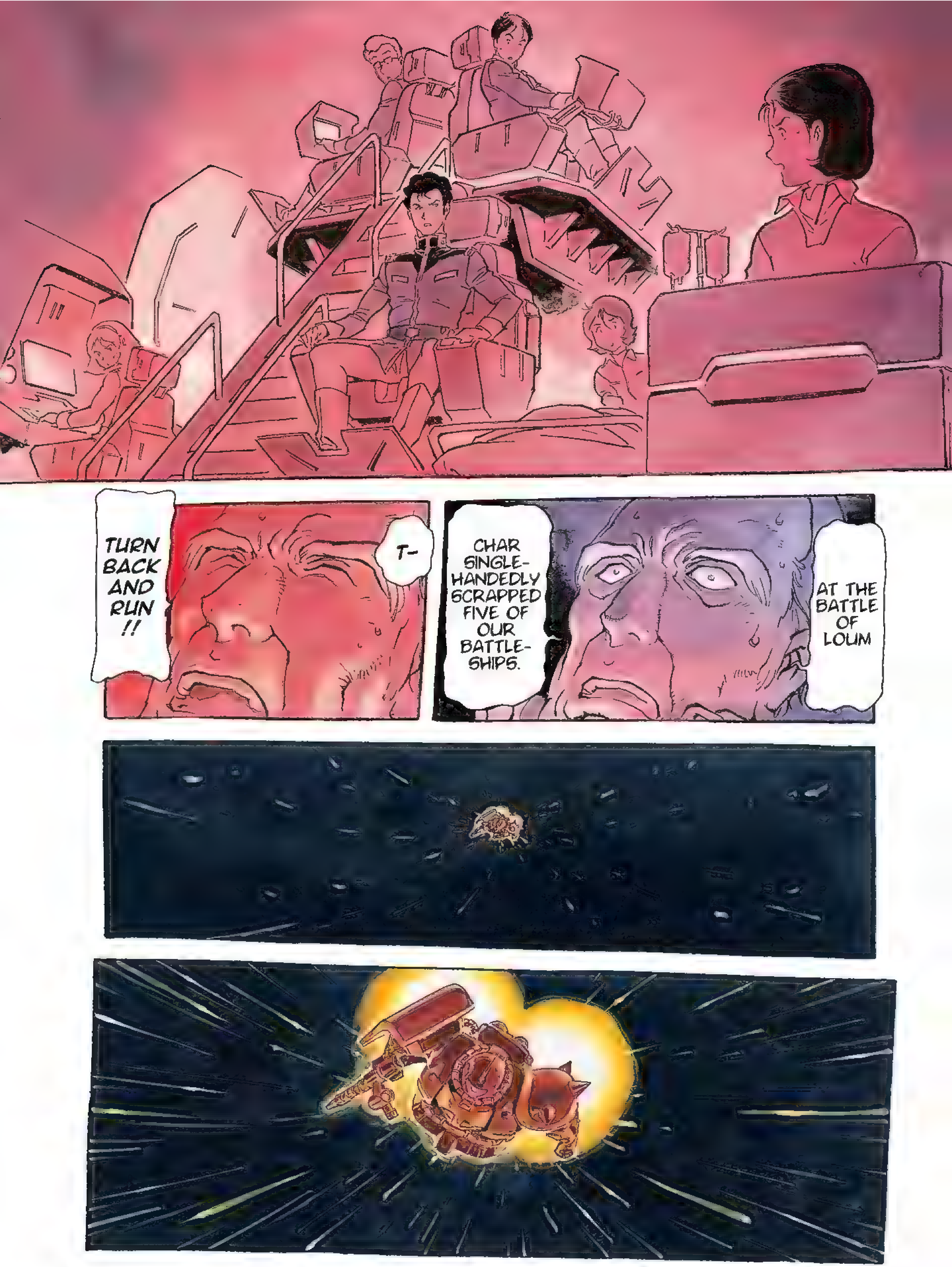

ALL RIGHT !
THESE ?!



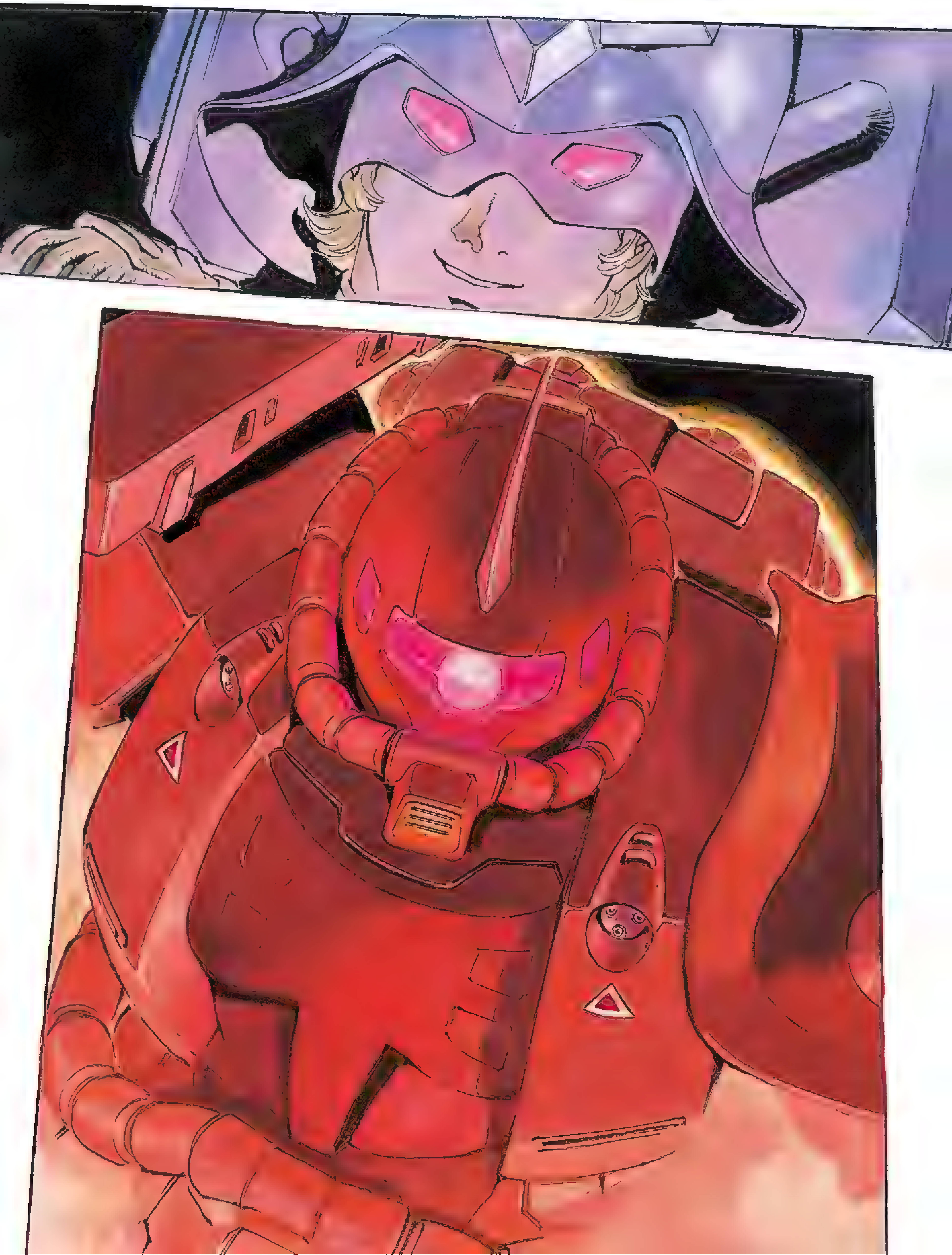

NOW HIT !!


WOW!
HE TOOK OUT BOTH MISSILES!
BUT THE SPEED ...
ONE OF THEM IS REALLY FAST!
ABOUT THREE TIMES THE NORM !!
TWO MORE OBJECTS APPROACH-ING!
THEY APPEAR TO BE MOBILE SUITS!


IT'S THE RED COMET!
IT...
IT'S CHAR...
DID YOU SAY SOMETHING?!
CAPTAIN!
CHAR, THE RED COMET!
IT'S HIM...

TURN BACK AND RUN !!
T-
AT THE BATTLE OF LOUM
CHAR SINGLE-HANDEDLY SCRAPPED FIVE OF OUR BATTLE-SHIPS.

LET'S SEE
WHAT IT CAN DO...
THE FEDERATION FORCES' TOUTED
NEW MOBILE SUIT...



SECTION V




AMURO, GET OUT OF THERE!
YOU DON'T STAND A CHANCE
AGAINST THAT RED ZAKU!!

NO!
I CAN DO IT!
I ALREADY TOOK OUT TWO ZAKUS
WITHOUT EVEN USING THE BEAM RIFLE!
I CAN DO IT!

YOU WON'T GET TO ME!!


AGH!
AH, ITS SHIELD ...
GASP

NOW!!

IT'S HERE !
THIS...IS COMBAT ?!


THE SUB-CAMERA!


STILL WET BEHIND THE EARS,
FED PILOT!

GROAN...
THERE YOU ARE, SLENDER.


LT. COM-MANDER!
AYE AYE,
LET THIS BE VENGEANCE FOR DENIM!
YOU TAKE HIS BACK!
WE'LL FINISH HIM OFF!
THIS IS BAD!
THEY'VE GOT HIM PINCERED.
WE'LL SUPPORT THE GUNDAM!!
ARM THE STARBOARD MEGA-PARTICLE CANNONS!


LOSING ON MOBILITY WHEN
I'VE GOT THE NEW MODEL ?
THAT CAN'T
BE !!

WHAT ?!

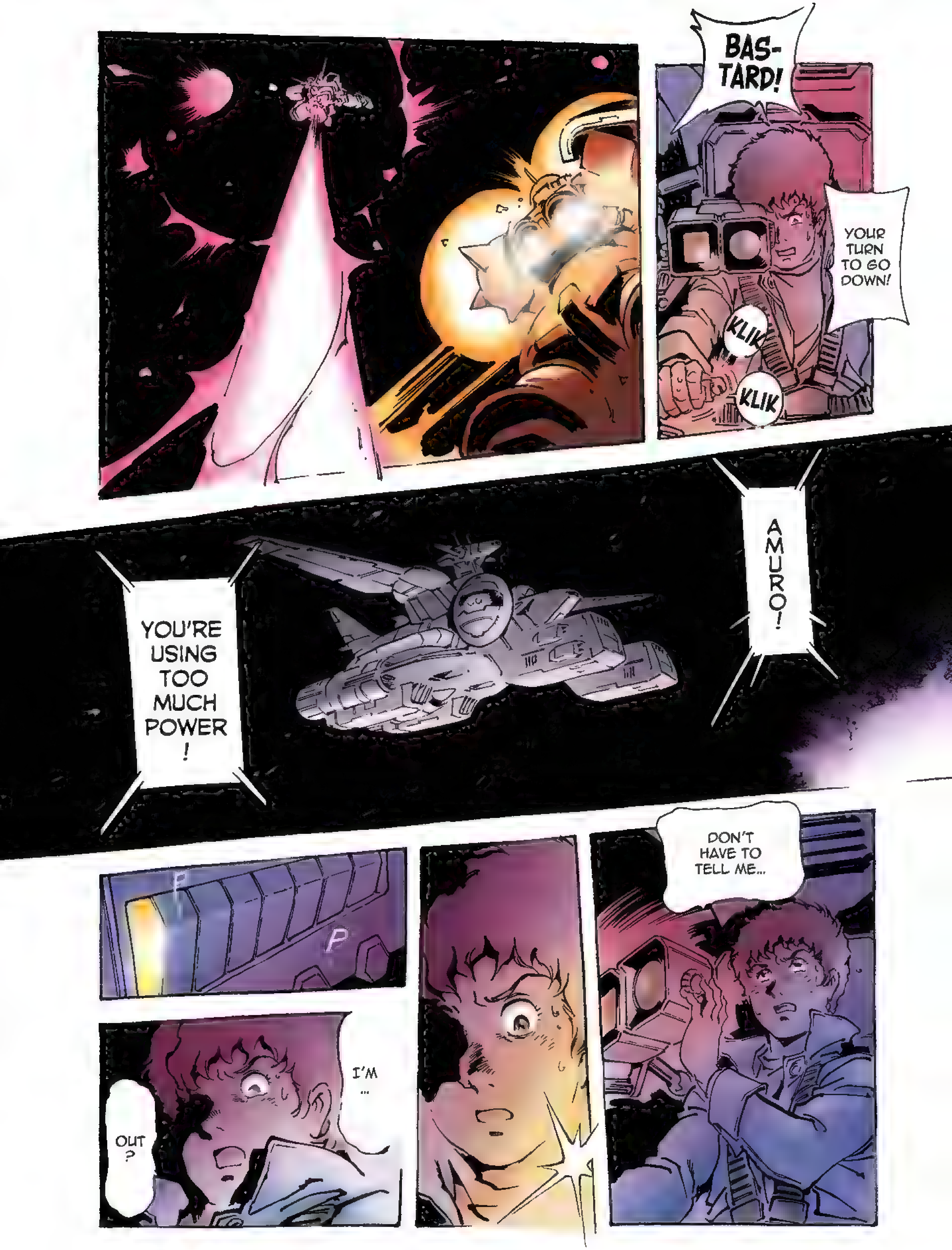



COM-MANDER!
THAT'S IT, SIR!
THE WEAPON THAT TOOK DOWN SERGEANT ASH
WITH ONE HIT!!
IF WE NEVER GET HIT, IT'S NO MORE THAN A PEA SHOOTER.
COVER ME, SLENDER!
YES, SIR!


THAT'S IT, SLENDER.
Damn
it...
THERE!!



ON A PAR WITH THE MAIN GUNS OF A BATTLESHIP ...
SO THAT THING HAS A BEAM RIFLE
SLENDER ...

BAS-
TARD!
YOUR TURN TO GO DOWN!
KLIK
KLIK
AMURO!
YOU'RE USING TOO MUCH POWER!
DON'T HAVE TO TELL ME...
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I'M ...
OUT ?


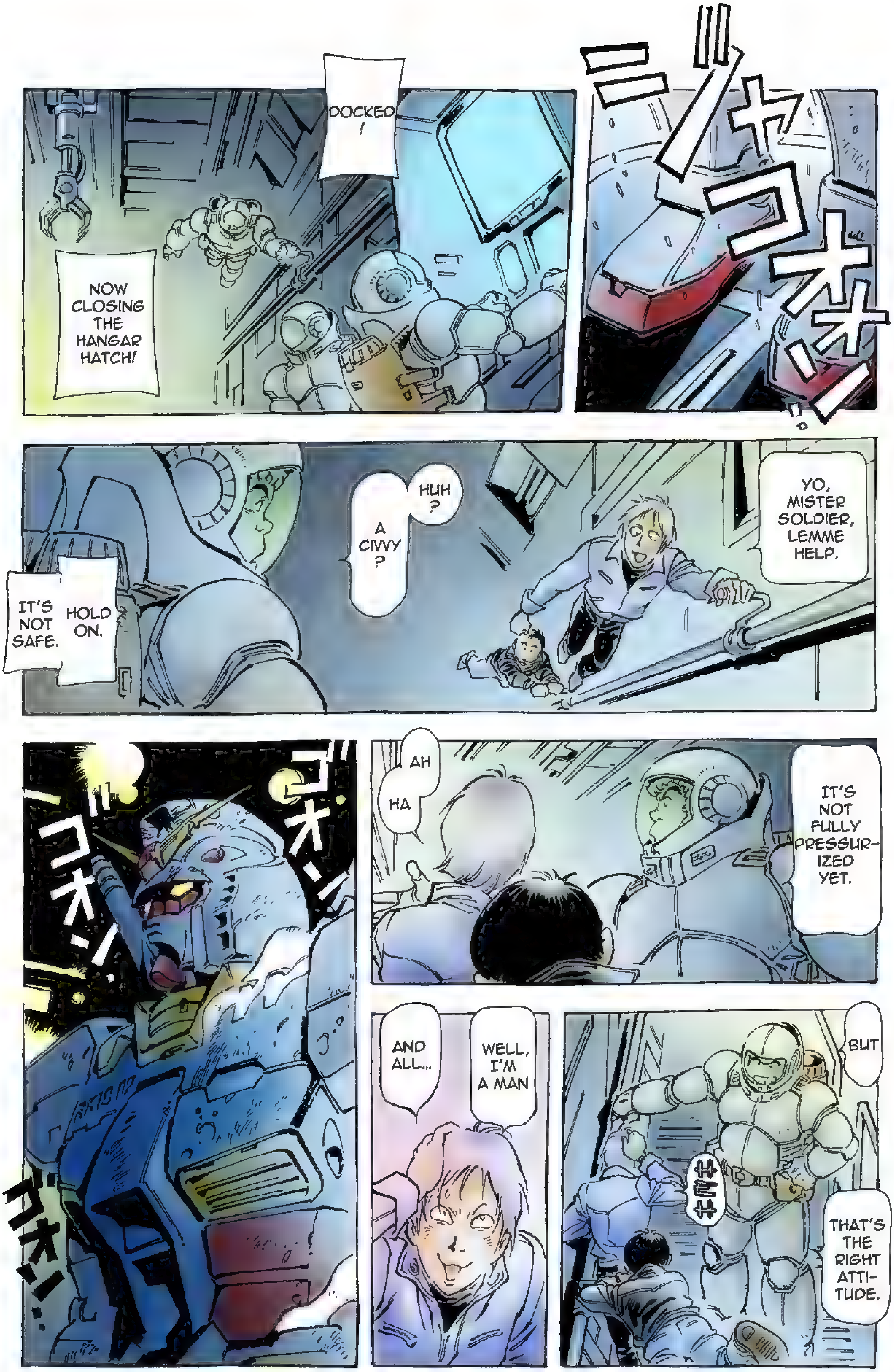
!?
AAAH!!
SO THAT'S THE LIMIT OF
ITS BEAM AMMO!
HMPH.
YOU THINK YOU'RE SO CLEVER!

A MEGA-PARTICLE CANNON ?!
I SUSPECTED AS MUCH...
SOME SUPPLY SHIP,
INDEED ...


I'LL SINK YOU
WHEN WE MEET AGAIN!

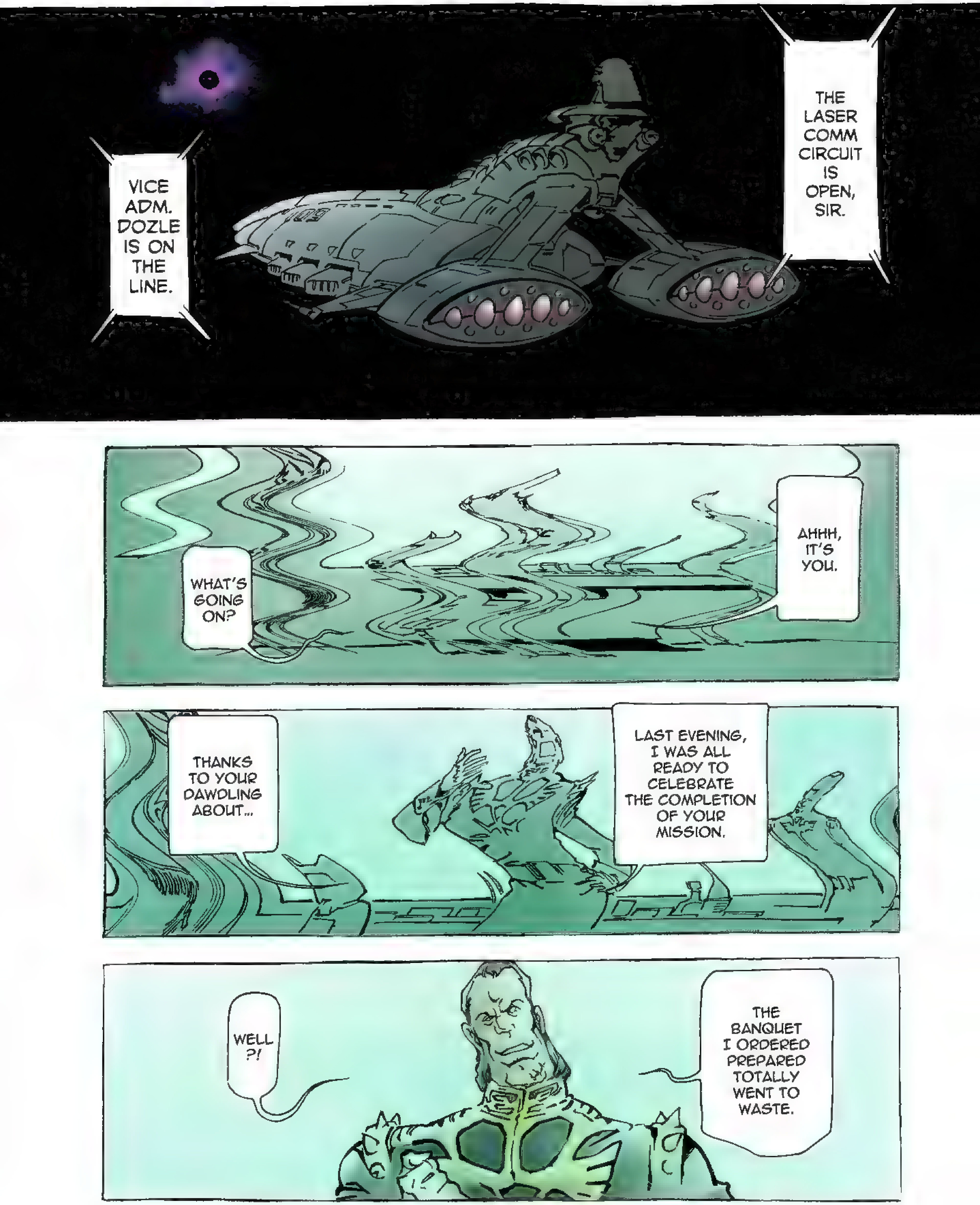

HUFF
HUFF HUFF
HAAAA!
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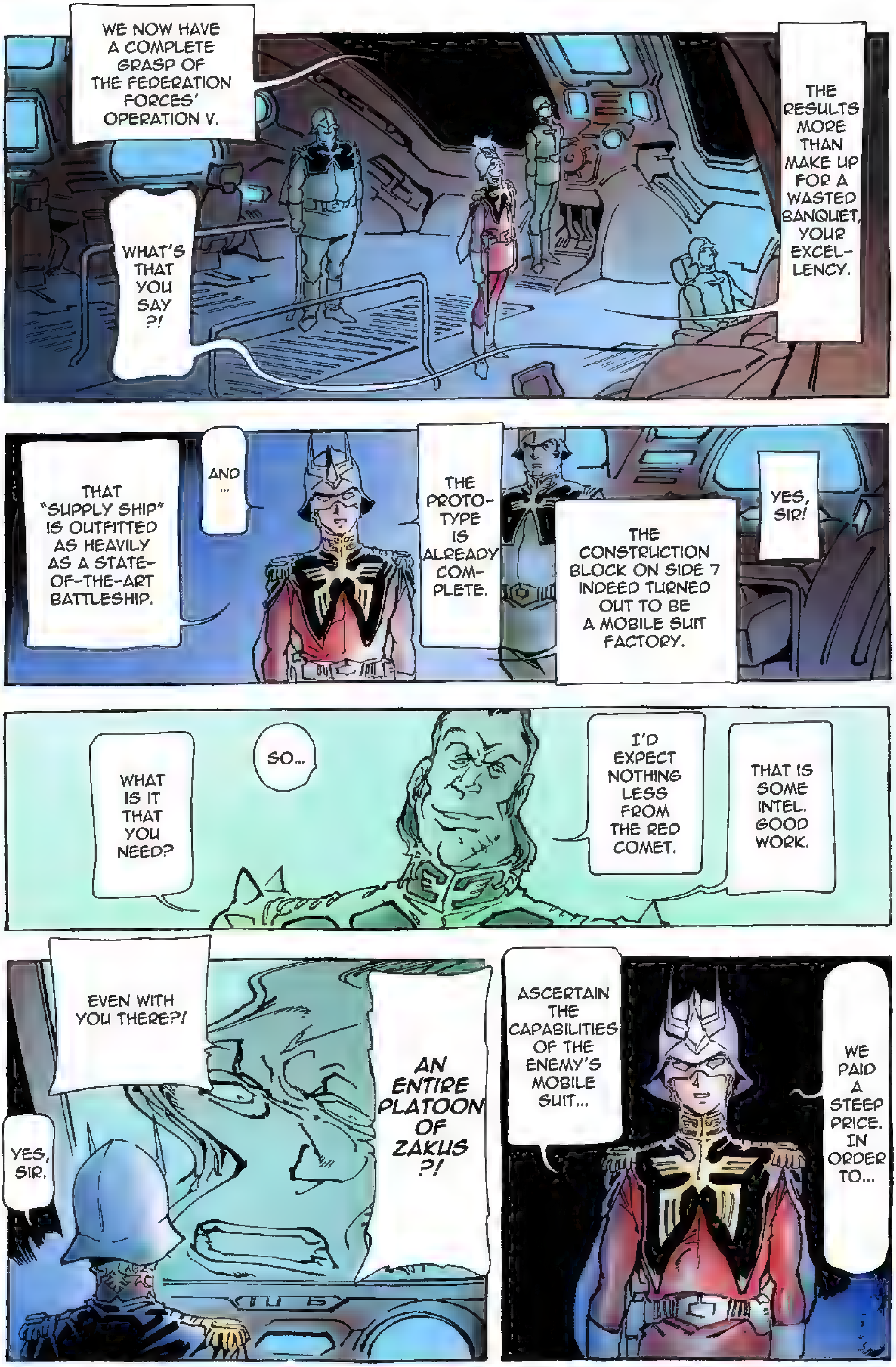

GUNDAM, WE'RE TAKING YOU ABOARD!
GET ON DOCKING COURSE !
BRIDGE, AWAITING ORDERS!
WE ARE OK FOR LOAD-ING!
THE GUNDAM
IS NOW DOCKING !!
ALL RIGHT —
FLY DOWN, JUST LIKE THAT !

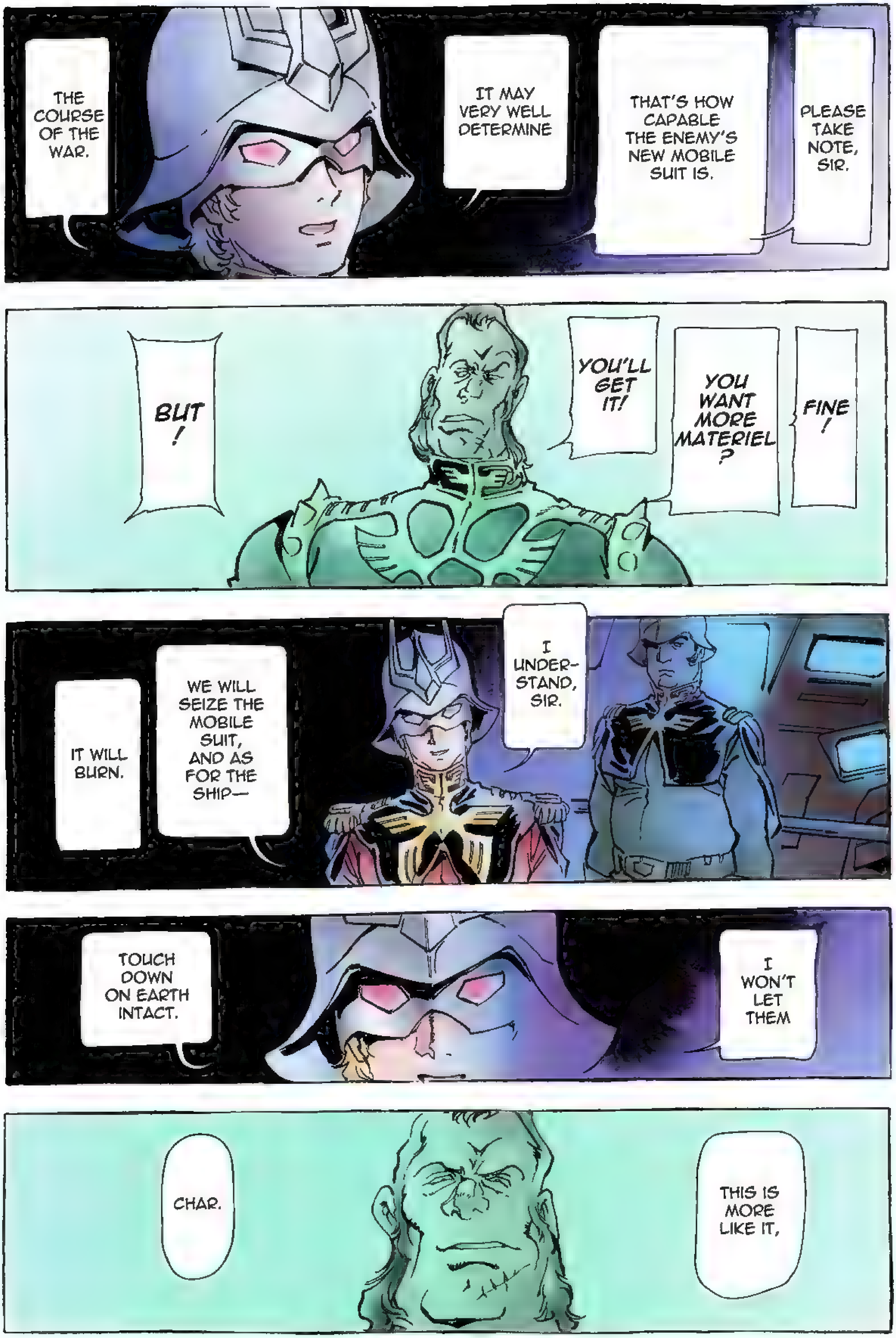

DOCKED!
NOW CLOSING THE HANGAR HATCH!
YO, MISTER SOLDIER, LEMME HELP.
HUH?
A CIVVY?
HOLD ON.
IT'S NOT SAFE.
IT'S NOT FULLY PRESSUR-IZED YET.
AH
HA
BUT
HEH
THAT'S THE RIGHT ATTI-TUDE.
WELL, I'M A MAN
AND ALL...




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MAINTE-NANCE,
MOVE IT!
IT'S ALREADY LOOKING PRETTY BANGED UP...
I GUESS THEY'RE
A GOOD MATCH ...
HEY, HAYATO,
DIDJA HEAR?
THEY SAY IT'S AMURO PILOTING THAT THING.
WHA?!
HE IS?!


THE LASER COMM CIRCUIT IS OPEN, SIR.
VICE ADM. DOZLE IS ON THE LINE.
AHHH, IT'S YOU.
WHAT'S GOING ON?
LAST EVENING, I WAS ALL READY TO CELEBRATE THE COMPLETION OF YOUR MISSION.
THANKS TO YOUR DAWDLING ABOUT...
THE BANQUET I ORDERED PREPARED TOTALLY WENT TO WASTE.
WELL ?!


WE NOW HAVE A COMPLETE GRASP OF THE FEDERATION FORCES' OPERATION V.
THE RESULTS MORE THAN MAKE UP FOR A WASTED BANQUET, YOUR EXCELLENCY.
WHAT'S THAT YOU SAY?!
THAT "SUPPLY SHIP" IS OUTFITTED AS HEAVILY AS A STATE-OF-THE-ART BATTLESHIP.
AND...
THE PROTOTYPE IS ALREADY COMPLETE.
THE CONSTRUCTION BLOCK ON SIDE 7 INDEED TURNED OUT TO BE A MOBILE SUIT FACTORY.
YES, SIR!
THAT IS SOME INTEL. GOOD WORK.
I'D EXPECT NOTHING LESS FROM THE RED COMET.
SO...
WHAT IS IT THAT YOU NEED?
WE PAID A STEEP PRICE. IN ORDER TO...
ASCERTAIN THE CAPABILITIES OF THE ENEMY'S MOBILE SUIT...
AN ENTIRE PLATOON OF ZAKUS?!
EVEN WITH YOU THERE?!
YES, SIR.

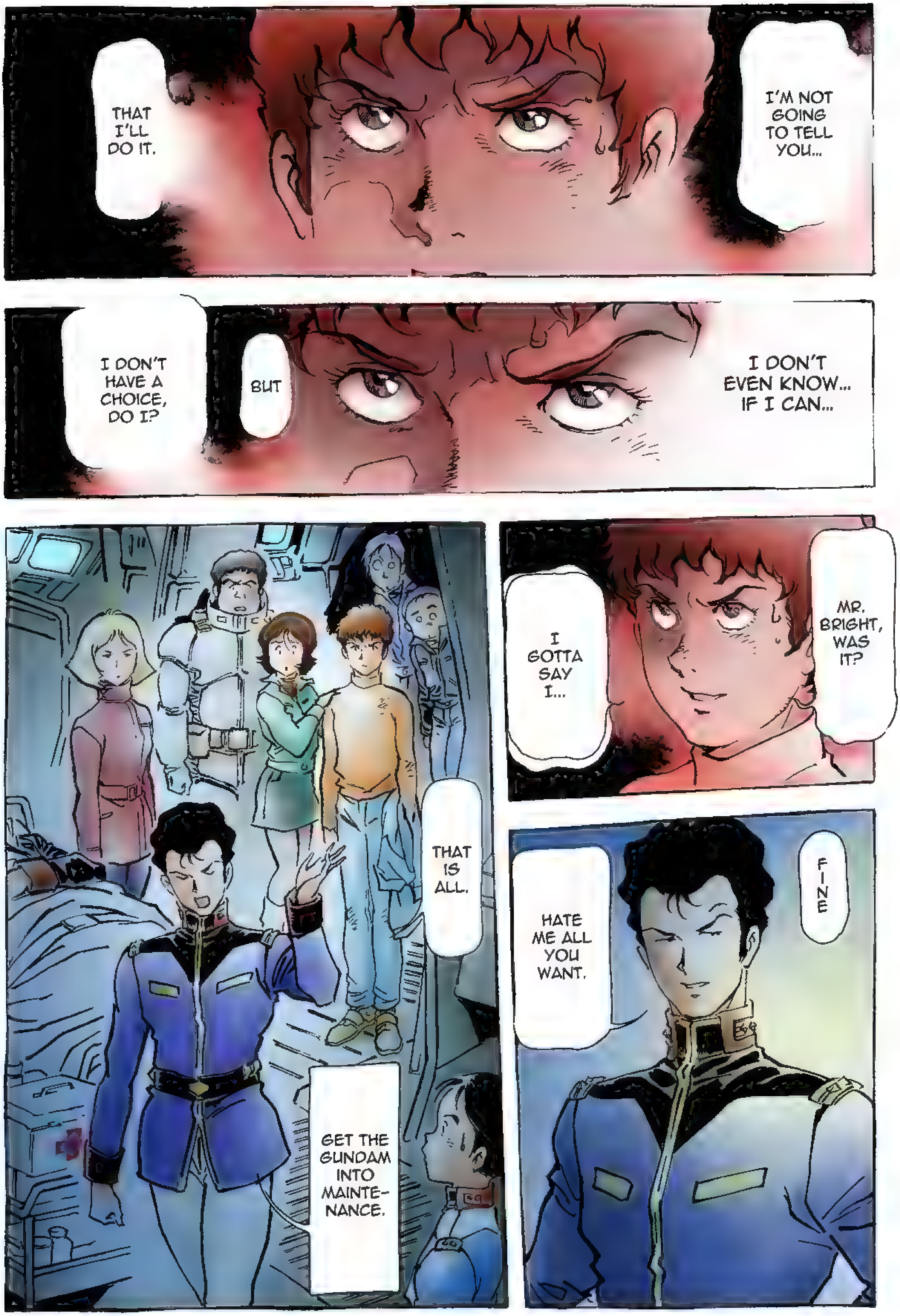

PLEASE TAKE NOTE, SIR.
THAT'S HOW CAPABLE THE ENEMY'S NEW MOBILE SUIT IS.
IT MAY VERY WELL DETERMINE
THE COURSE OF THE WAR.
FINE!
YOU WANT MORE MATERIEL?
YOU'LL GET IT!
BUT!
I UNDER-STAND, SIR.
WE WILL SEIZE THE MOBILE SUIT, AND AS FOR THE SHIP—
IT WILL BURN.
I WON'T LET THEM
TOUCH DOWN ON EARTH INTACT.
THIS IS MORE LIKE IT,
CHAR.

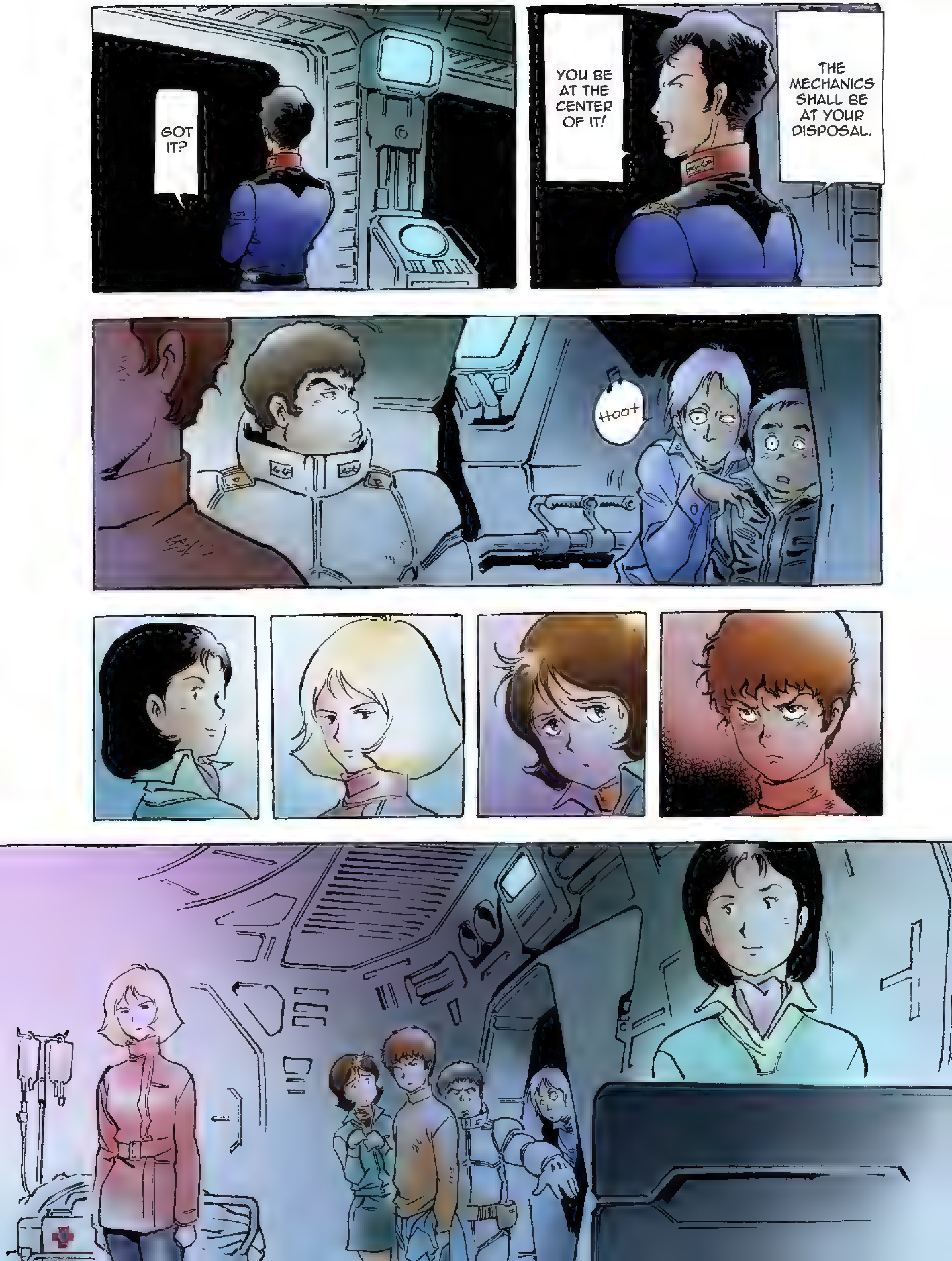

WHITE BASE WILL BE HEADING
TO THE LUNA II BASE.
ALL CREW-MEMBERS, CARRY ON WITH YOUR CURRENT ASSIGN-MENTS
AND TAKE BREAKS IN TURNS.


AMURO ...
FRAW!
SO IT'S YOU ?
YOU'RE THE PILOT ...


YOU MUST EMPLOY THE GUNDAM
MORE EFFI-CIENTLY IN BATTLE.
IT'S A PROTOTYPE. WE DON'T HAVE SPARE PARTS LYING AROUND.
WE CAN'T AFFORD RECK-LESS USAGE!
WH...
WHAT ...?
WE'VE ENTRUSTED THE GUNDAM TO YOU AND YOU'RE ITS PILOT!
YOUR DUTY IS TO PROTECT THIS SHIP!
YOU WANT TO SAY YOU'RE NEW TO IT ?!
DON'T BE A BABY !

AMURO...
YOU DARE TELL ME ...
KNOW THAT OUR SITUATION IS SUCH THAT I HAVE TO.
I NEED YOU TO ACCEPT WHAT I SAID.
IF YOU WON'T ...
THEN YOU CAN GET YOUR ASS BACK TO SIDE 7
RIGHT NOW!
MR. BRIGHT !!
Oh
AMURO...

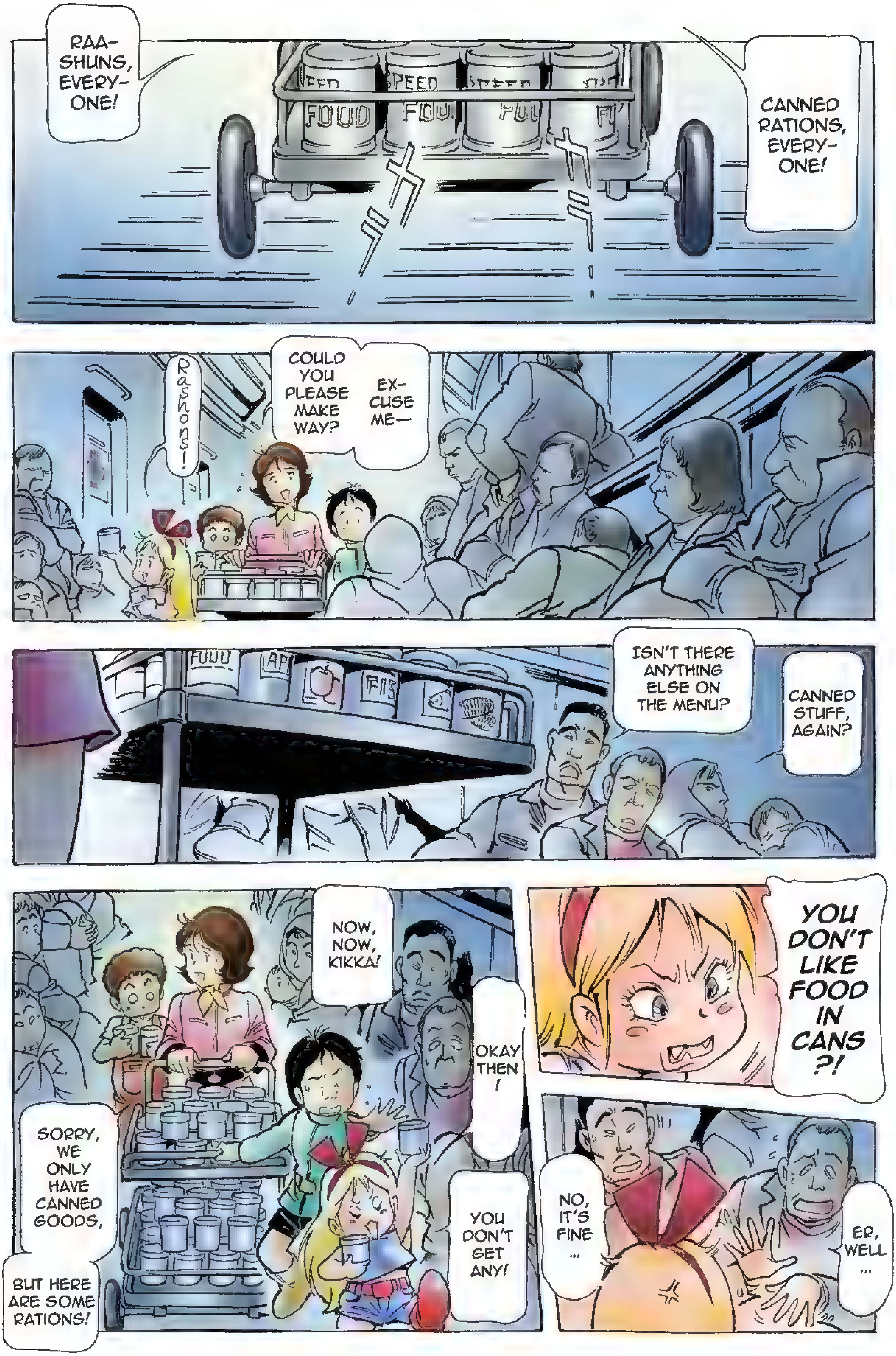

I'M NOT GOING TO TELL YOU...
THAT I'LL DO IT.
I DON'T EVEN KNOW... IF I CAN...
BUT
I DON'T HAVE A CHOICE, DO I?
MR. BRIGHT, WAS IT?
I GOTTA SAY I...
FINE
HATE ME ALL YOU WANT.
THAT IS ALL.
GET THE GUNDAM INTO MAINTE-NANCE.

GOT IT?
YOU BE AT THE CENTER OF IT!
THE MECHANICS SHALL BE AT YOUR DISPOSAL.
Hoot



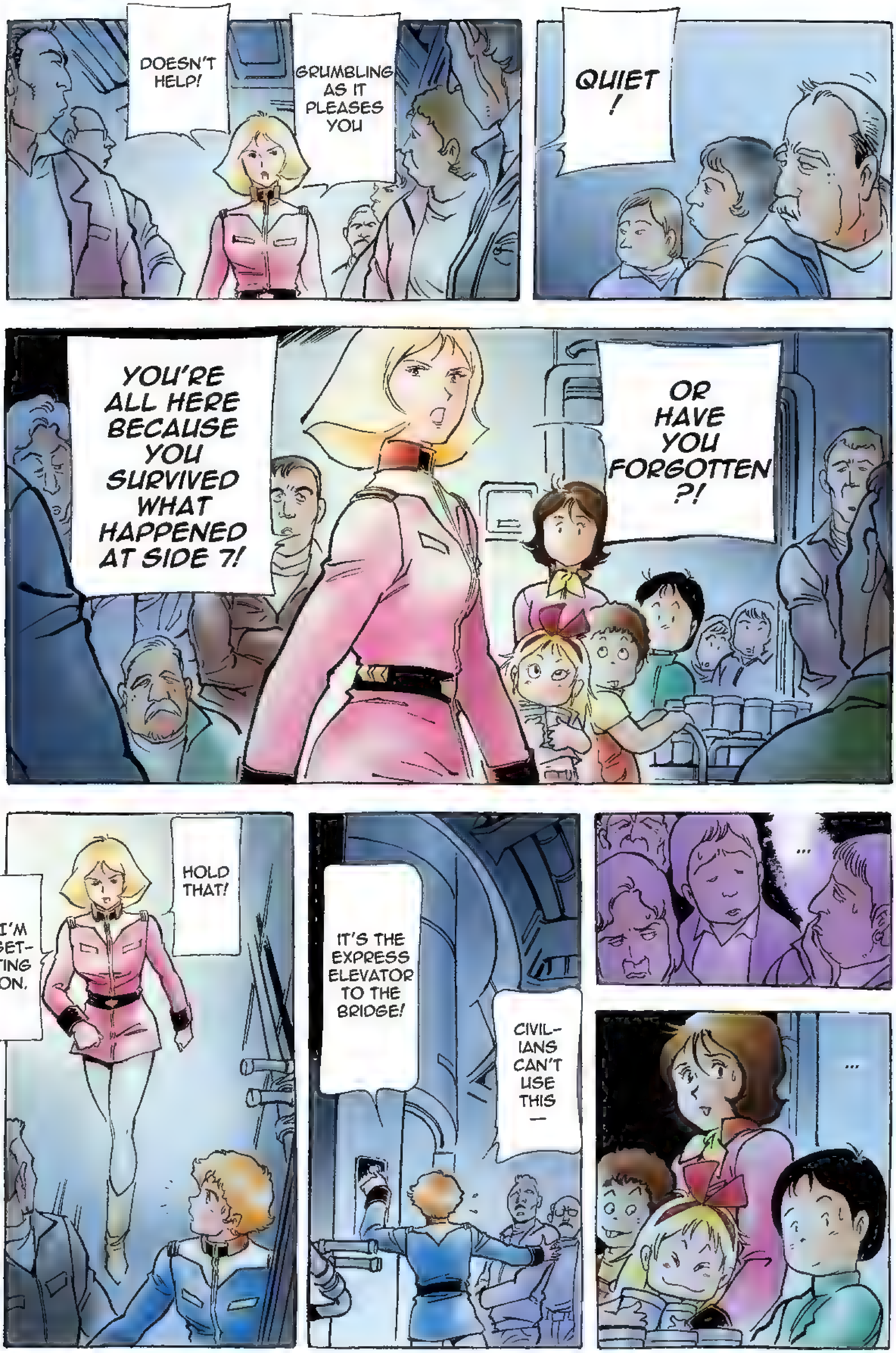
SECTION VI


The asteroid Juno was hauled into Earth's orbit exactly opposite the moon for use in colony construction. At its widest, it is 180 km across.
—Luna II—
Here, at the point farthest from the Principality of Zeon,
the Federation Forces have their only off-planet military base...

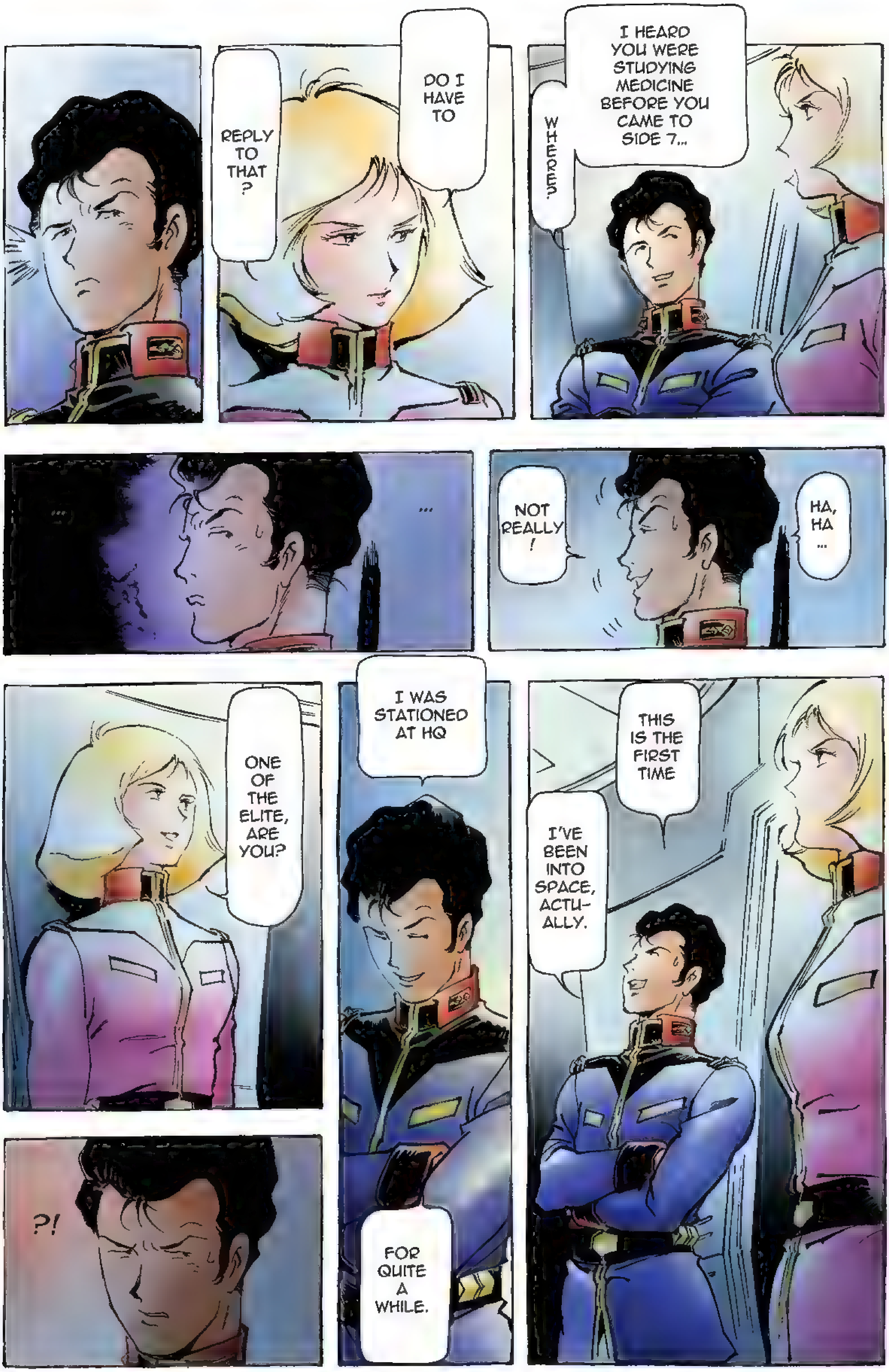

CANNED RATIONS, EVERY-ONE!
RAA-SHUNS, EVERY-ONE!
EX-CUSE ME—
COULD YOU PLEASE MAKE WAY?
Rashons!
CANNED STUFF, AGAIN?
ISN'T THERE ANYTHING ELSE ON THE MENU?
YOU DON'T LIKE FOOD IN CANS ?!
NOW, NOW, KIKKA!
SORRY, WE ONLY HAVE CANNED GOODS,
BUT HERE ARE SOME RATIONS!
OKAY THEN !
YOU DON'T GET ANY!
ER, WELL ...
NO, IT'S FINE ...

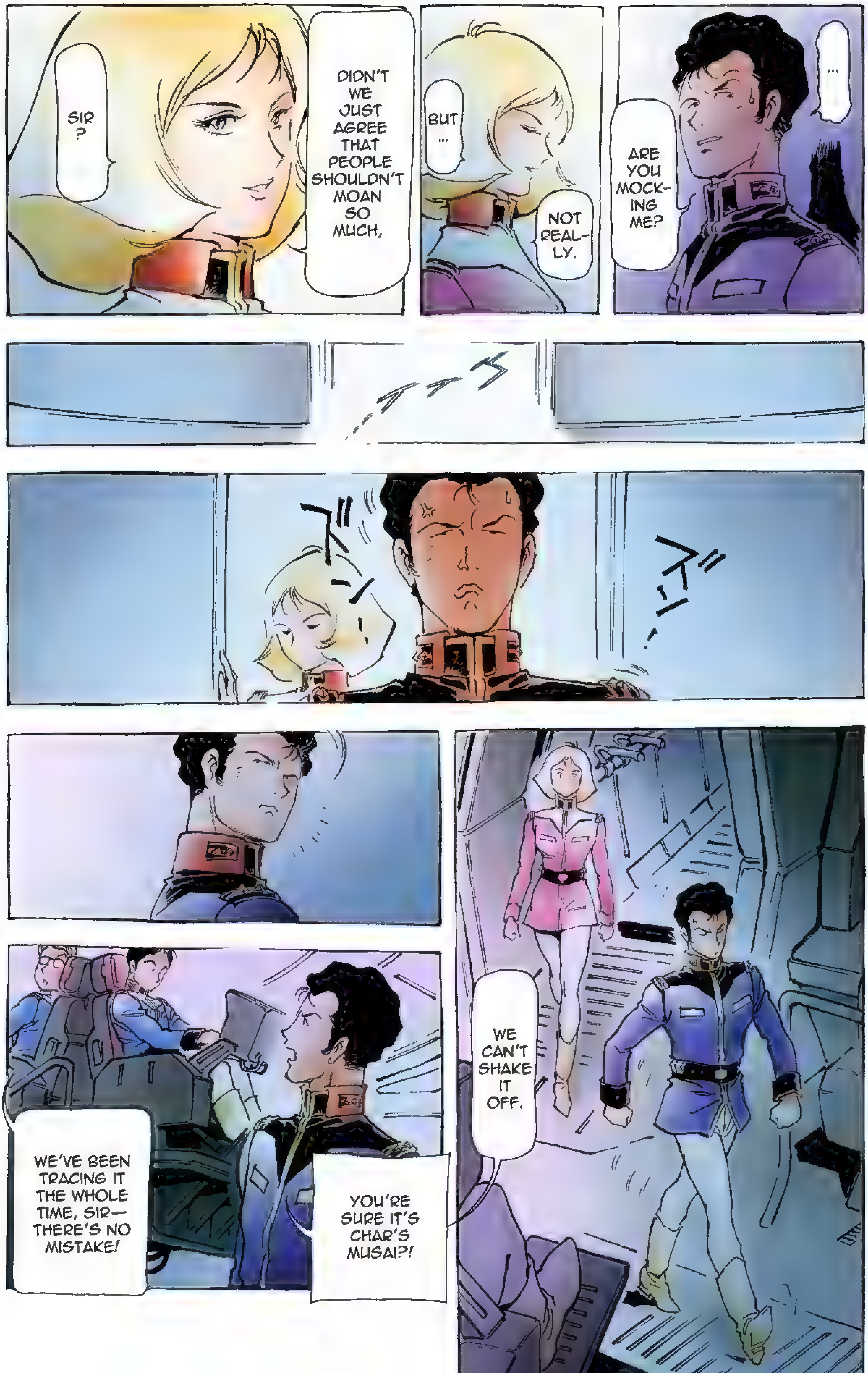


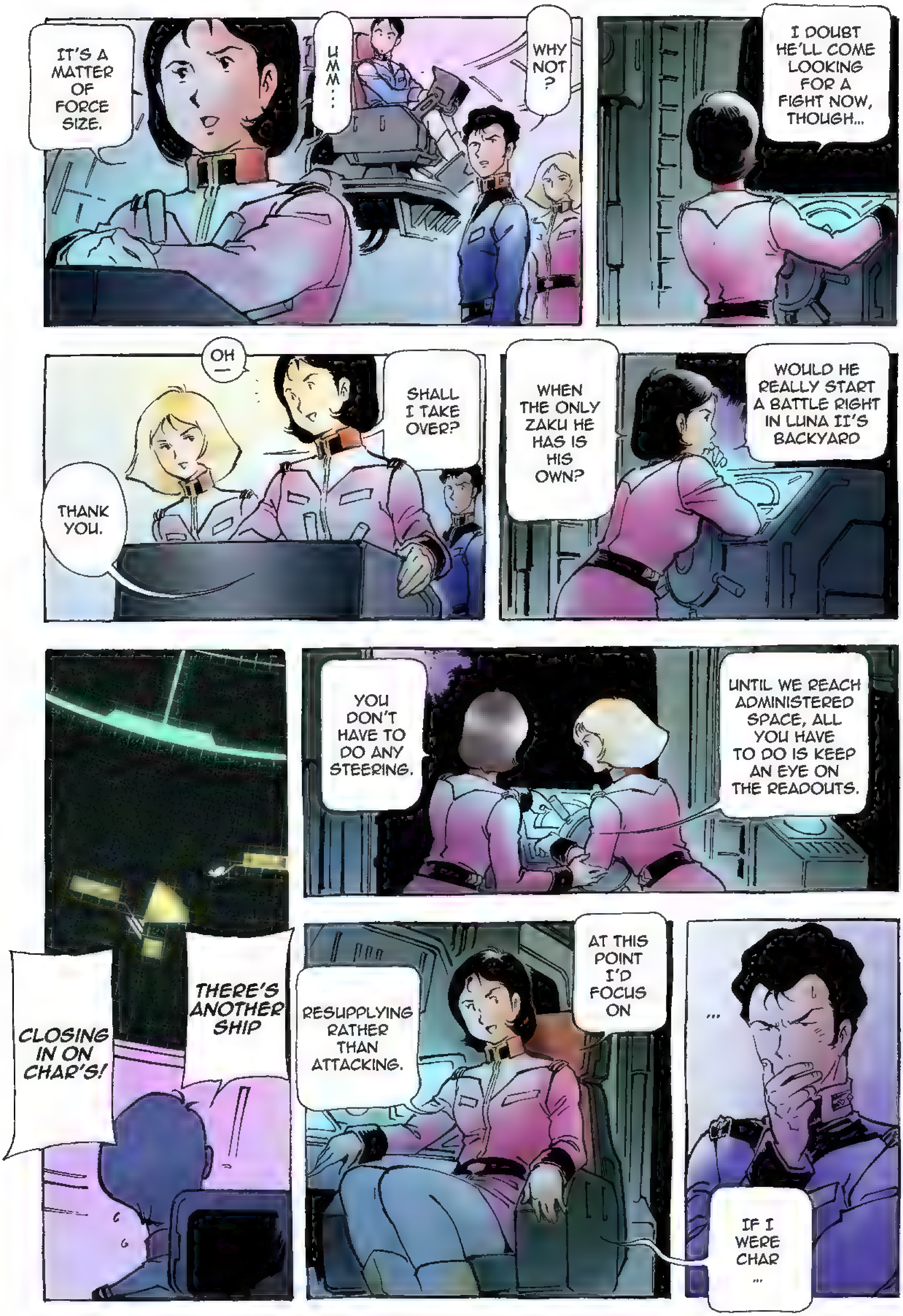
DID SOMEONE NEED SOMETHING?
IN HERE?
Yes!
EXCUSE ME! MISS!
I'VE BEEN ASKING FOR SOME HOT WATER FOR FORMULA...
OH...
UM...
BUT
WE'RE RUNNING OUT OF WATER,
WE'LL REACH LUNA II SOON, OKAY?
THAT'S NOT WHAT WE WERE TOLD.
NO, IT'S NOT!
THAT TRUE, MISSY?
THEN WHEN ARE WE TOUCHING DOWN?
THERE'S NO WATER IN THE TOILETS.
CAN'T YOU FIX IT?
HM?
YOU MEAN THIS SHIP ISN'T HEADING STRAIGHT FOR EARTH?!


DOESN'T HELP!
GRUMBLING AS IT PLEASES YOU
QUIET!
YOU'RE ALL HERE BECAUSE YOU SURVIVED WHAT HAPPENED AT SIDE 7!
OR HAVE YOU FORGOTTEN?!
HOLD THAT!
I'M GET-TING ON.
IT'S THE EXPRESS ELEVATOR TO THE BRIDGE!
CIVIL-IANS CAN'T USE THIS—
...
...

Ahem...
CIVILIANS ALWAYS PUT
THEMSELVES FIRST.
ACT-ING HELP-LESS
AND MAKING ALL SORTS OF DE-MANDS ...
...
...
...

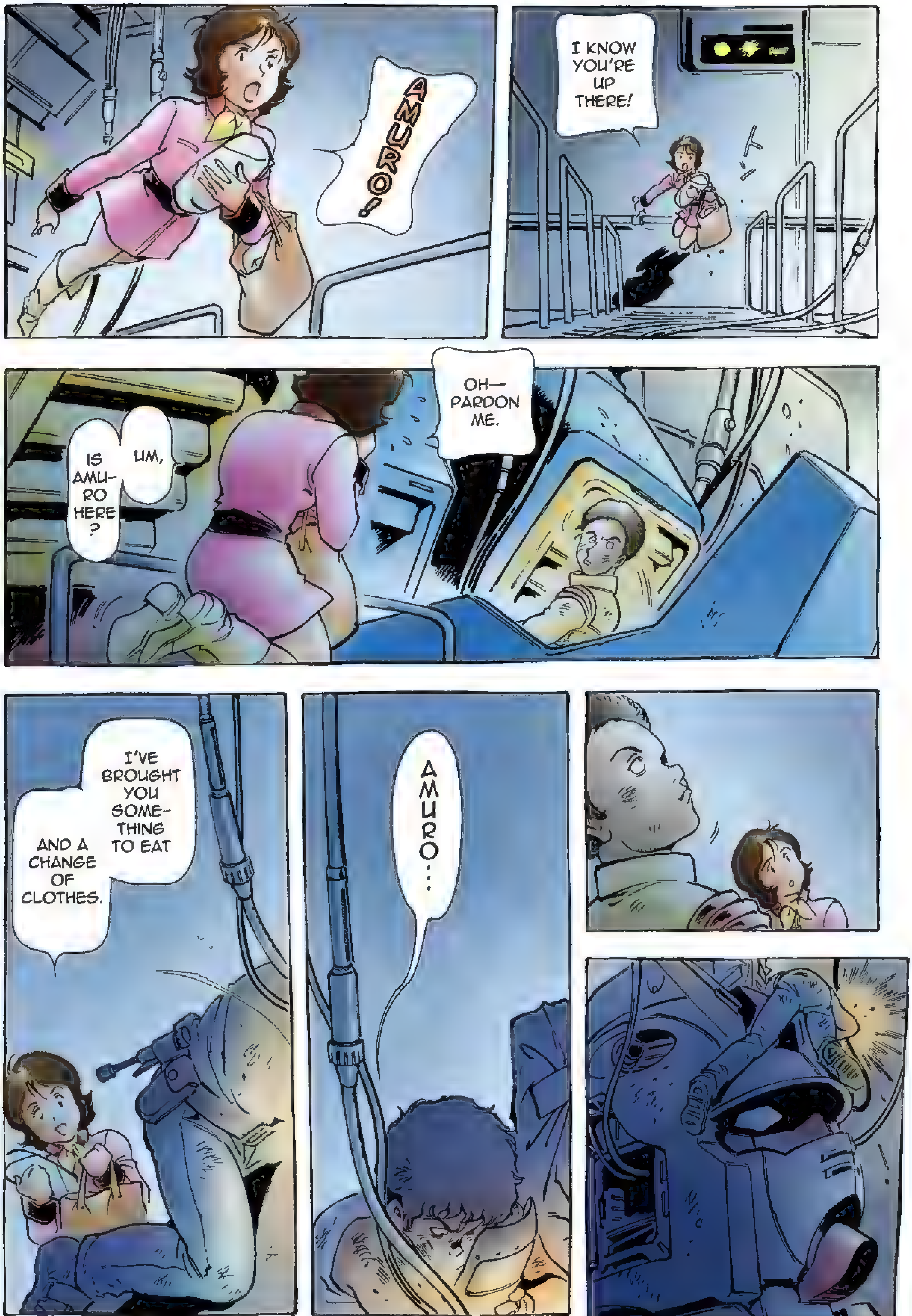

I HEARD YOU WERE STUDYING MEDICINE BEFORE YOU CAME TO SIDE 7...
WHERE?
DO I HAVE TO
REPLY TO THAT?
HA, HA ...
NOT REALLY!
...
...
THIS IS THE FIRST TIME
I'VE BEEN INTO SPACE, ACTU-ALLY.
I WAS STATIONED AT HQ
FOR QUITE A WHILE.
ONE OF THE ELITE, ARE YOU?
?!


SIR ?
DIDN'T WE JUST AGREE THAT PEOPLE SHOULDN'T MOAN SO MUCH,
BUT ...
NOT REALLY.
...
ARE YOU MOCKING ME?
WE CAN'T SHAKE IT OFF.
YOU'RE SURE IT'S CHAR'S MUSAI?!
WE'VE BEEN TRACING IT THE WHOLE TIME, SIR— THERE'S NO MISTAKE!

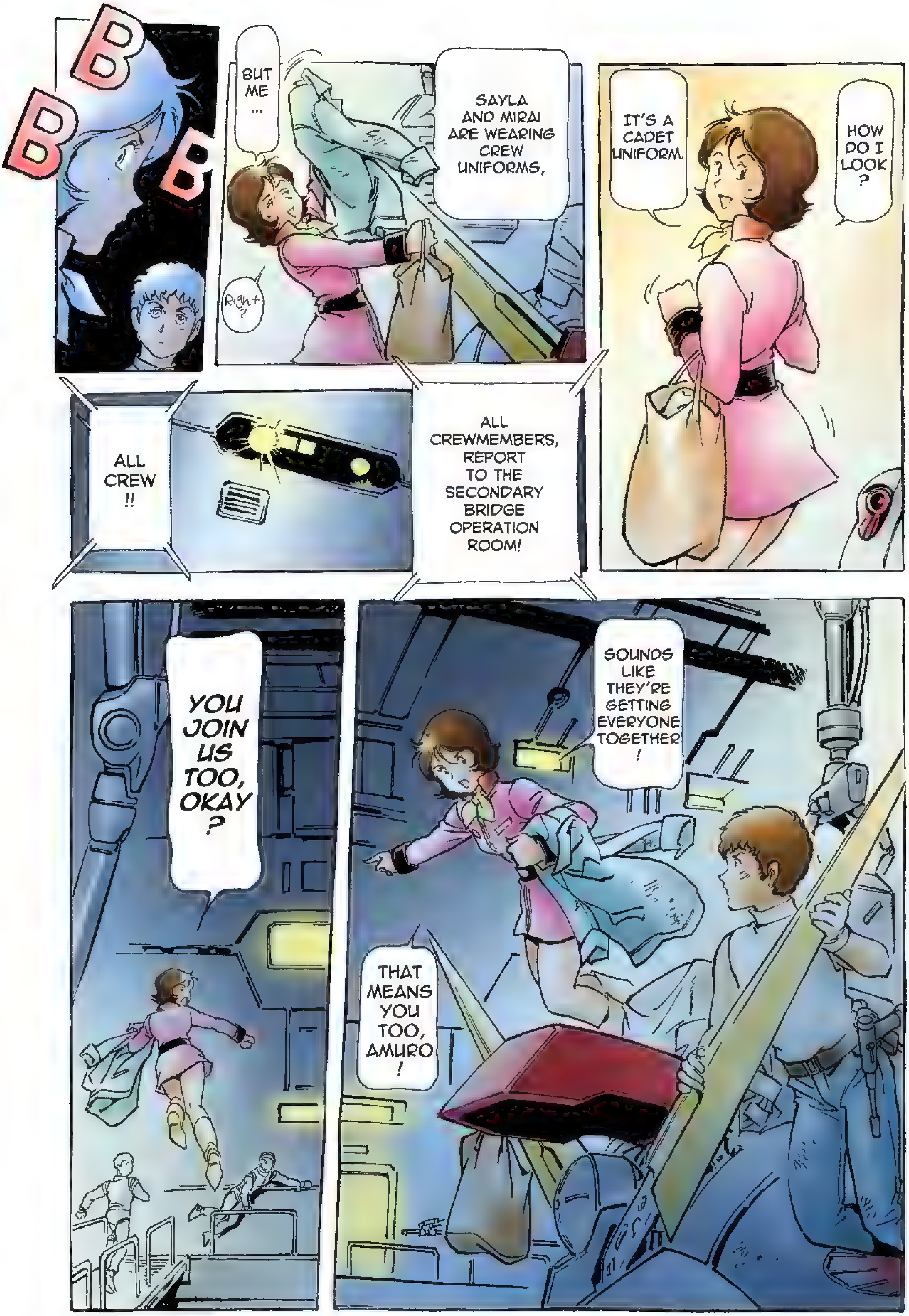


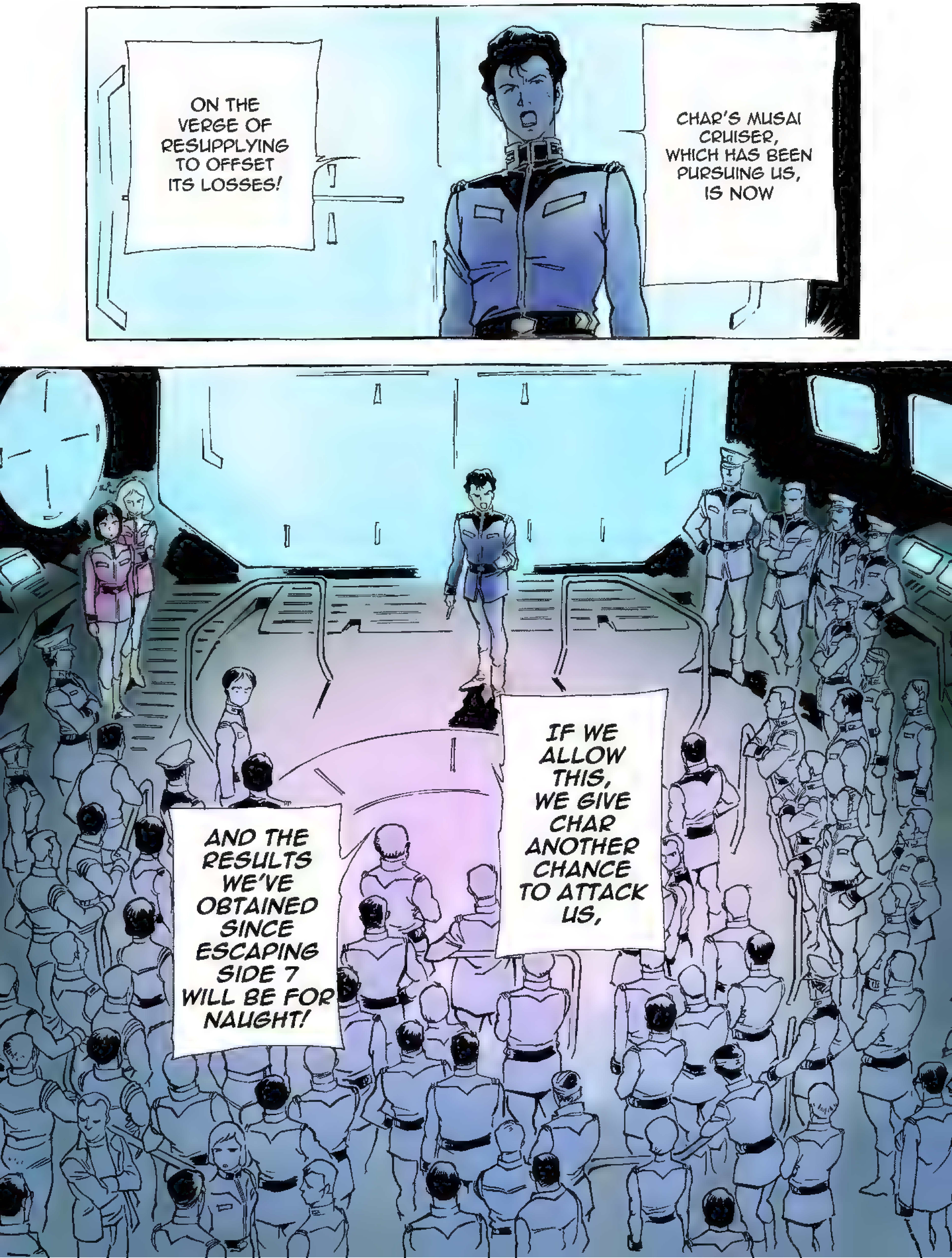
IT'S A MATTER OF FORCE SIZE.
UMM...
WHY NOT?
I DOUBT HE'LL COME LOOKING FOR A FIGHT NOW, THOUGH...
SHALL I TAKE OVER?
OH
THANK YOU.
WHEN THE ONLY ZAKU HE HAS IS HIS OWN?
WOULD HE REALLY START A BATTLE RIGHT IN LUNA II'S BACKYARD
UNTIL WE REACH ADMINISTERED SPACE, ALL YOU HAVE TO DO IS KEEP AN EYE ON THE READOUTS.
YOU DON'T HAVE TO DO ANY STEERING.
THERE'S ANOTHER SHIP
CLOSING IN ON CHAR'S!
...
IF I WERE CHAR ...
AT THIS POINT I'D FOCUS ON
RESUPPLYING RATHER THAN ATTACKING.

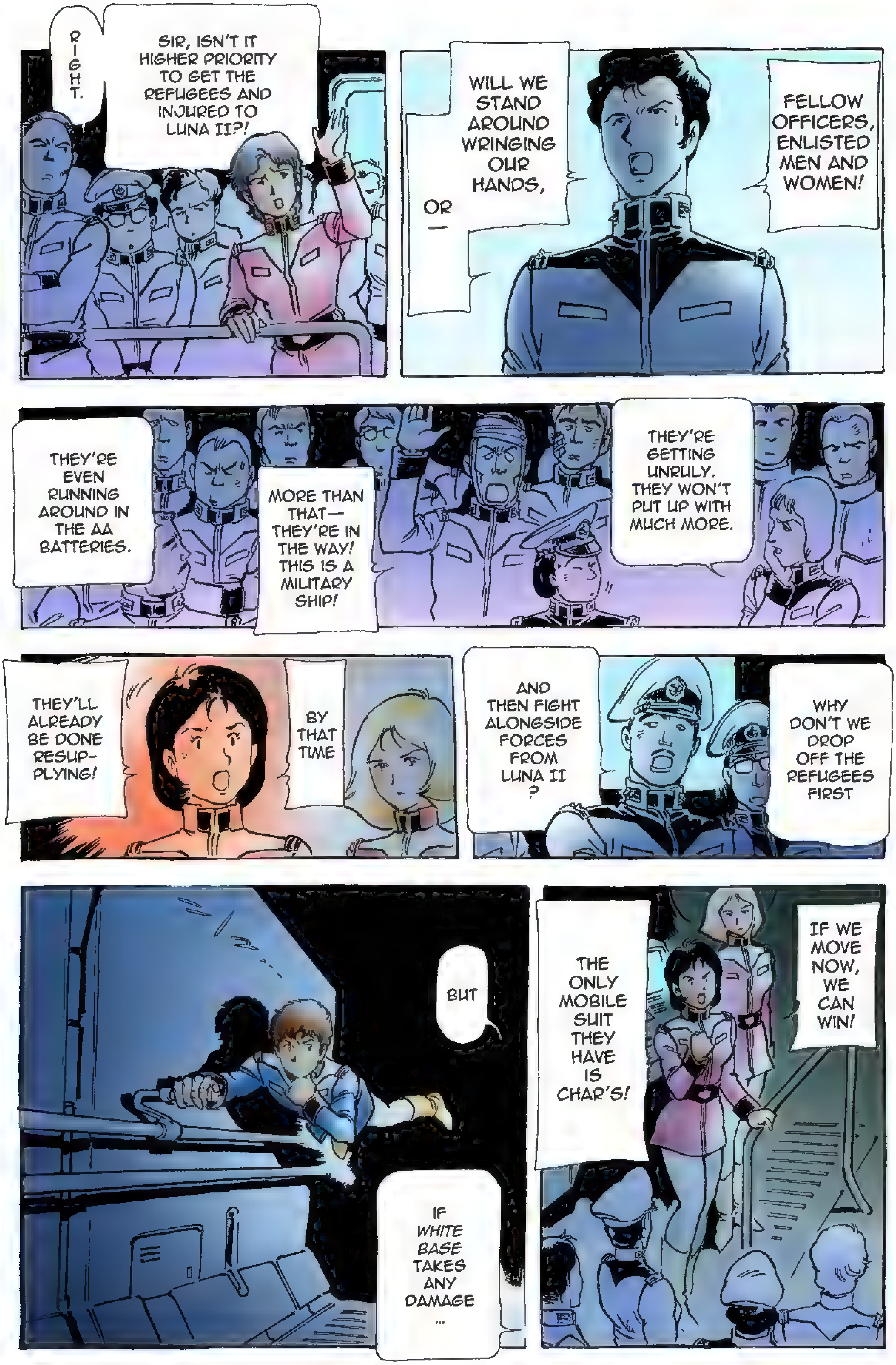

YOU'RE SURE IT'S NOT
A CRUISER FROM LUNA II?!
NO ...
NEGA-TIVE, SIR.
IT APPEARS TO BE A PAPUA-CLASS SUPPLY SHIP!
IT'S A ZEON SHIP!
AND IT'S HUGE!
AMUROOOO!
IT'LL MAKE CONTACT IN TEN OR SO MINUTES!
...
...

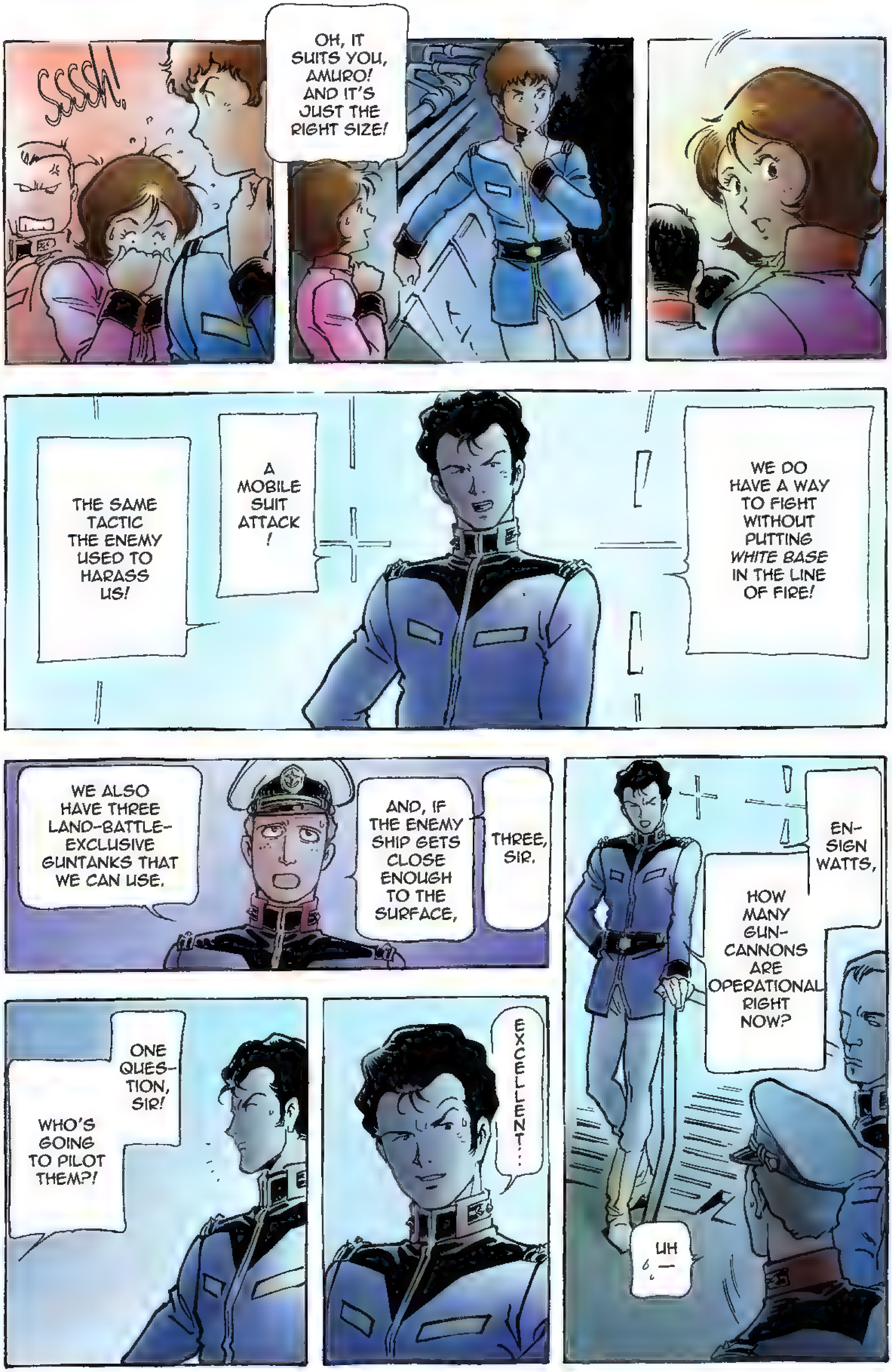

AMURO!
I KNOW YOU'RE UP THERE!
UM,
IS AMU-RO HERE?
OH— PARDON ME.
I'VE BROUGHT YOU SOME-THING TO EAT
AND A CHANGE OF CLOTHES.
AMURO...


YOU SMELL.
COME ON, YOU HAVE TO CHANGE.
BE- SIDES,
IT'S TRUE THAT IT GOT WRECKED BECAUSE
I ...
IF IT'S WHAT MR. BRIGHT SAID...
YOU SHOULDN'T LET IT BOTHER YOU.
THAT'S NOT IT!
NO ?
I DON'T WANT TO DIE.
I'M ONLY DOING THIS BECAUSE

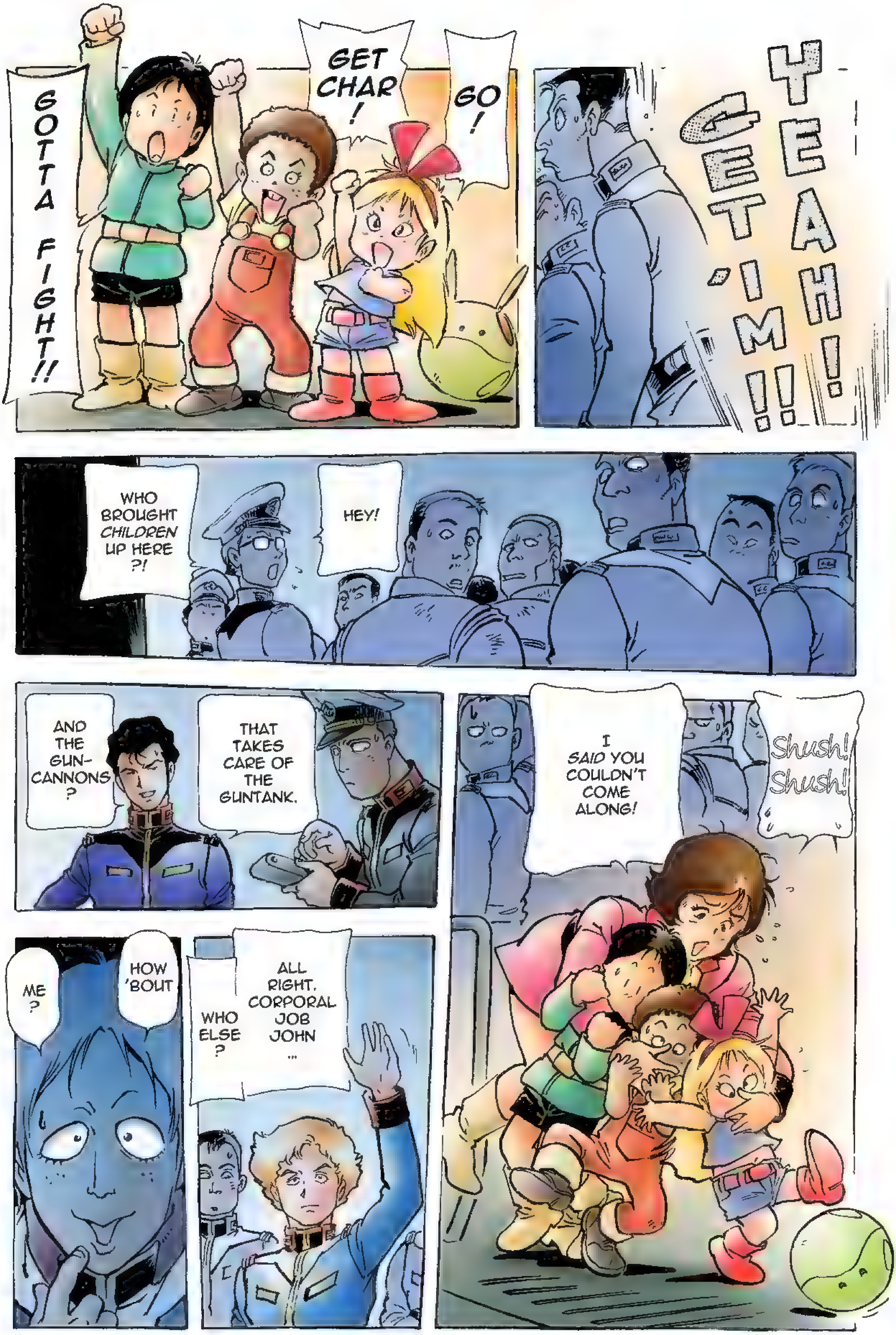

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BUT ME ...
Right?
SAYLA AND MIRAI ARE WEARING CREW UNIFORMS,
IT'S A CADET UNIFORM.
HOW DO I LOOK ?
ALL CREW !!
ALL CREWMEMBERS, REPORT TO THE SECONDARY BRIDGE OPERATION ROOM!
YOU JOIN US TOO, OKAY ?
SOUNDS LIKE THEY'RE GETTING EVERYONE TOGETHER !
THAT MEANS YOU TOO, AMURO !


CHAR'S MUSAI CRUISER, WHICH HAS BEEN PURSUING US, IS NOW
ON THE VERGE OF RESUPPLYING TO OFFSET ITS LOSSES!
IF WE ALLOW THIS, WE GIVE CHAR ANOTHER CHANCE TO ATTACK US,
AND THE RESULTS WE'VE OBTAINED SINCE ESCAPING SIDE 7 WILL BE FOR NAUGHT!

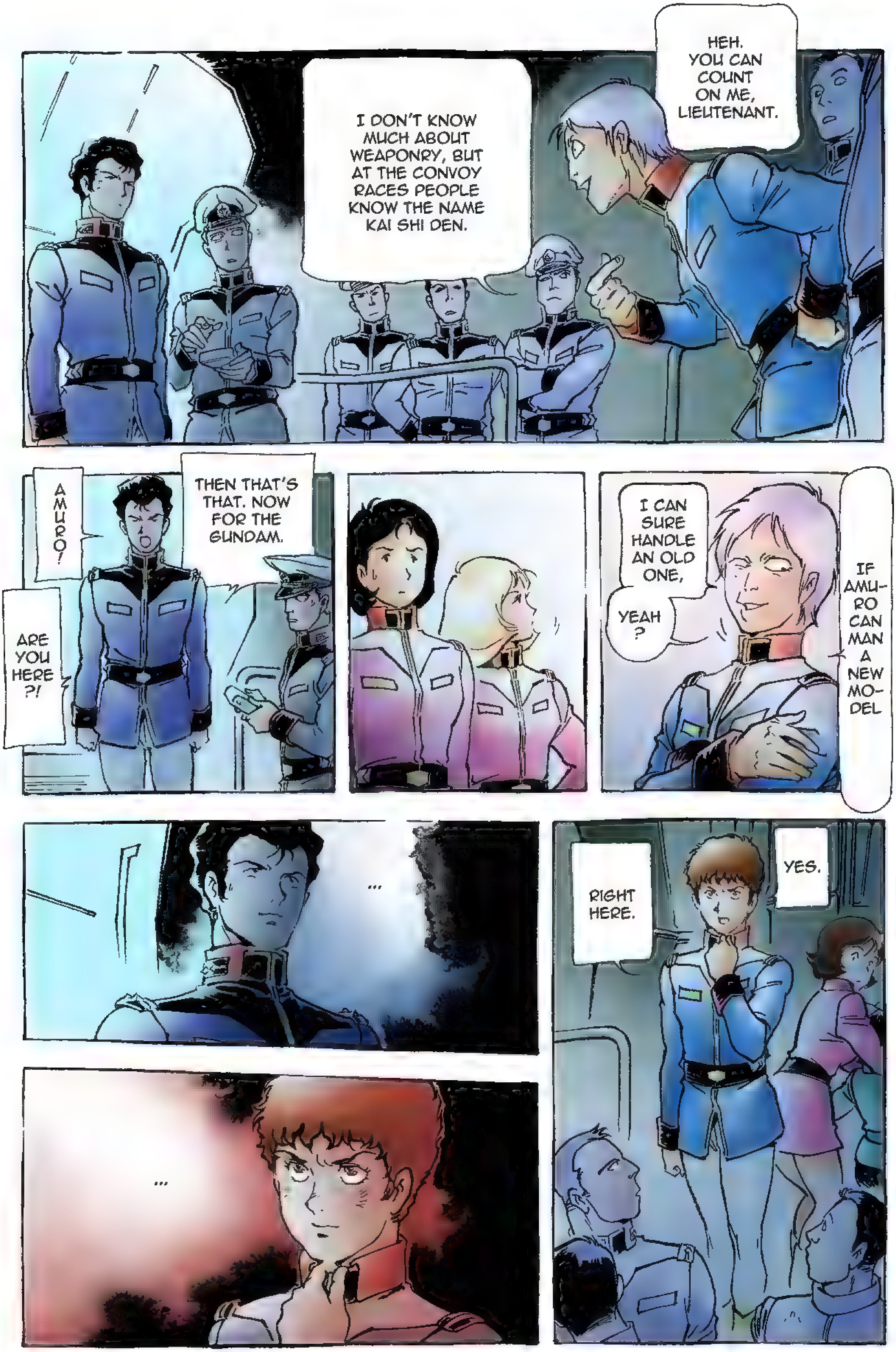

FELLOW OFFICERS, ENLISTED MEN AND WOMEN!
WILL WE STAND AROUND WRINGING OUR HANDS,
OR —
SIR, ISN'T IT HIGHER PRIORITY TO GET THE REFUGEES AND INJURED TO LUNA II?!
RIGHT.
THEY'RE GETTING UNRULY. THEY WON'T PUT UP WITH MUCH MORE.
MORE THAN THAT— THEY'RE IN THE WAY! THIS IS A MILITARY SHIP!
THEY'RE EVEN RUNNING AROUND IN THE AA BATTERIES.
WHY DON'T WE DROP OFF THE REFUGEES FIRST
AND THEN FIGHT ALONGSIDE FORCES FROM LUNA II ?
BY THAT TIME
THEY'LL ALREADY BE DONE RESUP-PLYING!
IF WE MOVE NOW, WE CAN WIN!
THE ONLY MOBILE SUIT THEY HAVE IS CHAR'S!
BUT
IF WHITE BASE TAKES ANY DAMAGE ...


SSSSH!
OH, IT SUITS YOU, AMURO! AND IT'S JUST THE RIGHT SIZE!
THE SAME TACTIC THE ENEMY USED TO HARASS US!
A MOBILE SUIT ATTACK!
WE DO HAVE A WAY TO FIGHT WITHOUT PUTTING *WHITE BASE* IN THE LINE OF FIRE!
ENSIGN WATTS,
HOW MANY GUN-CANNONS ARE OPERATIONAL RIGHT NOW?
THREE, SIR.
AND, IF THE ENEMY SHIP GETS CLOSE ENOUGH TO THE SURFACE,
WE ALSO HAVE THREE LAND-BATTLE-EXCLUSIVE GUNTANKS THAT WE CAN USE.
UH—
EXCELLENT...
ONE QUESTION, SIR!
WHO'S GOING TO PILOT THEM?!


WELL, I CAN PILOT IT... BUT I'MMA NEED A GUNNER.
I'LL TAKE UNIT 3.
AS WELL AS MASTER SERGEANT ABE AND HIS CO-PILOT FOR GUNTANK UNIT 3!
WE LOST THE CREW OF TWO GUN-CANNONS
I'LL DO IT!
I...
IT'S ALWAYS BEEN SAID, SIR— "PULL BACK IF YOUR OPPONENT ATTACKS, AND ATTACK WHEN HE PULLS BACK"!
THE ESSENCE OF A MATCH IS TO SEIZE CHANCES AS THEY ARISE!
MAN THE GUNS!
I'LL
RYU JUST GAVE ME SOME HANDS-ON TRAINING WITH AA GUNS.
HAYATO ...
I CAN SHOOT, SIR!
WELL,
AT LEAST, THEY DO IN JUDO ...
DIDN'T KNOW YOU HAD IT IN YA, HAYATO!


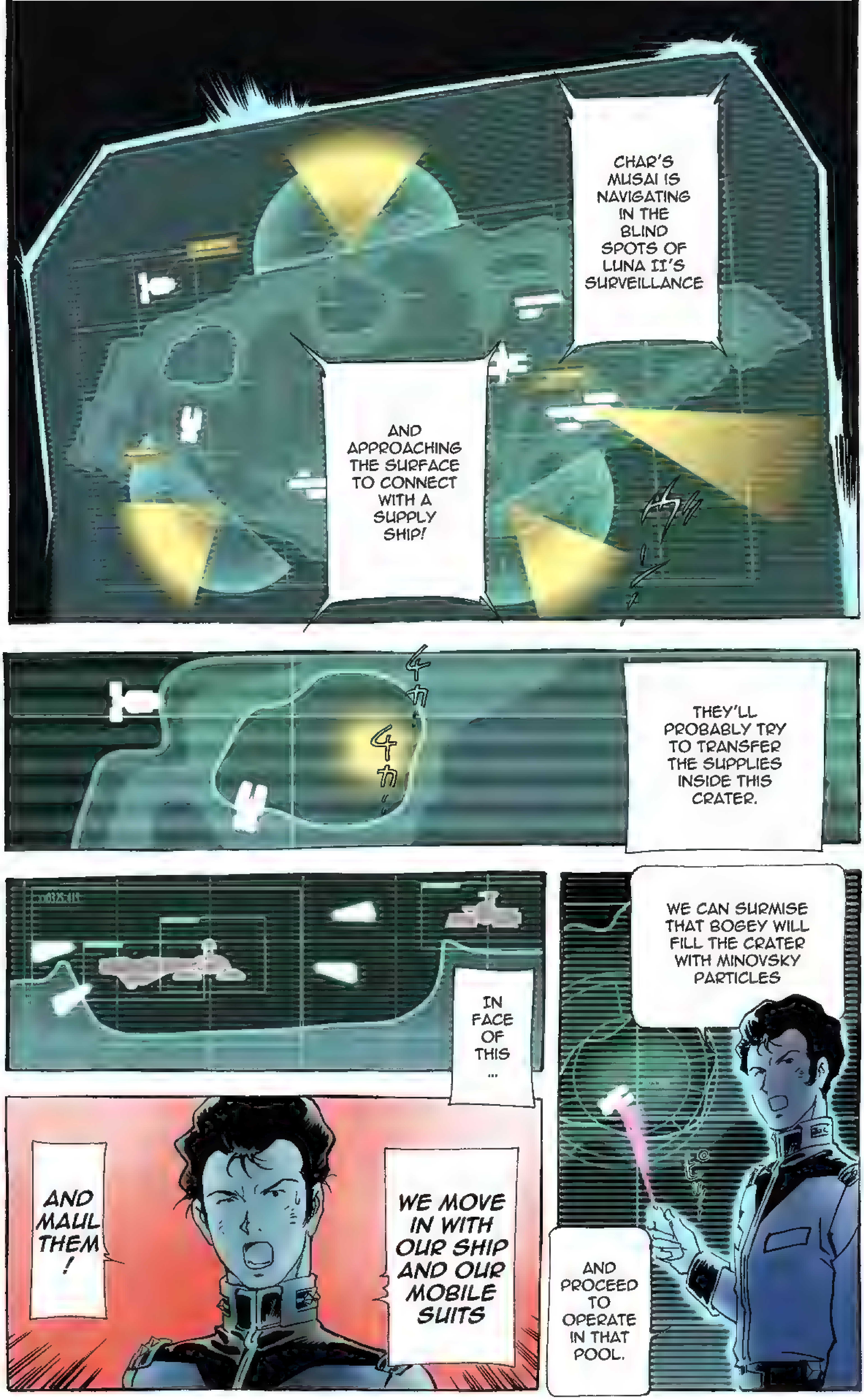
GOTTA FIGHT!!
GET CHAR!
GO!
YEAH!
GET 'IM!!
WHO BROUGHT CHILDREN UP HERE?!
HEY!
AND THE GUN-CANNONS?
THAT TAKES CARE OF THE GUNTANK.
I SAID YOU COULDN'T COME ALONG!
Shush! Shush!
ALL RIGHT, CORPORAL JOB JOHN...
WHO ELSE?
HOW 'BOUT
ME?


I DON'T KNOW MUCH ABOUT WEAPONRY, BUT AT THE CONVOY RACES PEOPLE KNOW THE NAME KAI SHI DEN.
HEH. YOU CAN COUNT ON ME, LIEUTENANT.
THEN THAT'S THAT. NOW FOR THE GUNDAM.
AMURO!
ARE YOU HERE?!
I CAN SURE HANDLE AN OLD ONE,
YEAH?
IF AMURO CAN MAN A NEW MODEL
...
...
RIGHT HERE.
YES.


YOU'LL GO OUT IN THE GUNDAM.
GOT IT?
THE GUNDAM'S NO GOOD.
SO I WON'T.
!
WHAT
DID YOU SAY?
THE GUNDAM IS BEING REPAIRED!
I CAN'T TAKE IT OUT NOW.
HMM.
IS THAT SO.
OMUR!
SIR!
WHAT DO YOU THINK? IS THE GUNDAM USABLE?
Y-YES, SIR!
MAINTENANCE ON THE POWER SYSTEMS IS ALL DONE, SO WITH JUST A LITTLE MORE TIME,
IT'LL BE READY FOR ACTION.
SO THE MAN SAYS.
WELL, THEN?

I WON'T TAKE IT OUT!
THAT STILL WON'T DO!
SOME-BODY ELSE CAN PILOT IT!
THEN I WON'T DO IT!
THE GUNDAM IS A TOP-SECRET PROTO-TYPE,
AND WE CAN'T BE RECKLESS WITH IT. ISN'T THAT RIGHT,
MR. LIEU-TEN-ANT?
...
...
SHUT UP!!
AMURO!


DON'T FORCE HIM!
LT. BRIGHT,
...
AMURO...
LIKE AMURO SAYS, WE SHOULD AVOID DEGRADING IT AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE.
WE CAN ACE THIS OPERATION, EVEN WITHOUT THE GUNDAM.
VERY WELL.
THEN USE THE TIME TO GET THE GUNDAM'S CONDITION UP TO 120%.
QUIET!
I'LL NOW BRIEF YOU ON THIS MISSION!


CHAR'S MUSAI IS NAVIGATING IN THE BLIND SPOTS OF LUNA II'S SURVEILLANCE
AND APPROACHING THE SURFACE TO CONNECT WITH A SUPPLY SHIP!
THEY'LL PROBABLY TRY TO TRANSFER THE SUPPLIES INSIDE THIS CRATER.
WE CAN SURMISE THAT BOGEY WILL FILL THE CRATER WITH MINOVSKY PARTICLES
AND PROCEED TO OPERATE IN THAT POOL.
IN FACE OF THIS ...
WE MOVE IN WITH OUR SHIP AND OUR MOBILE SUITS
AND MAUL THEM!



SO IT'S GADEM'S PAPUA...
I CAN'T BELIEVE THE BEAT-UP OLD BOAT IS STILL IN SERVICE.

WHAT...
WENT DOWN?
THE GREAT RED COMET NEEDS SUPPLIES
IN THE MIDDLE OF AN OPERATION?
YOU DIDN'T
BUNGLE IT, NOW, DID YOU?
WE GOT INTO A TUSSLE WITH A NEW MOBILE SUIT MODEL OF THE ENEMY'S.
OUR LOSSES WERE WORTH THE DATA.
IS THAT SO?
WELL, NEVER MIND THE DETAILS...
JUST GET THIS OVER WITH.
THIS PLACE IS SO THICK WITH MINOVSKY PARTICLES,
I FEAR
I MIGHT DROWN...
OPEN THE HATCH.
GET THOSE CONVEYOR PIPES DOCKED, NOW!

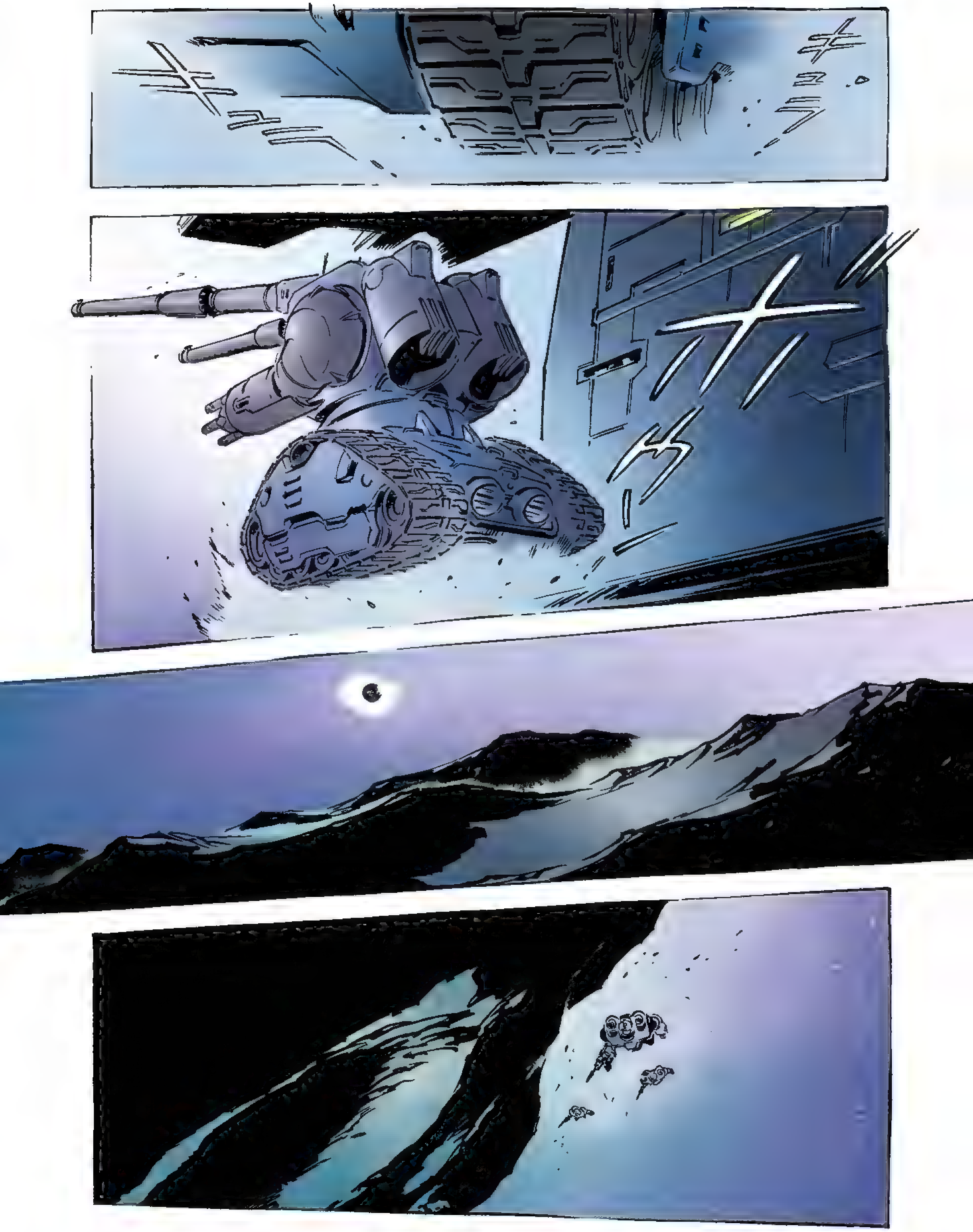

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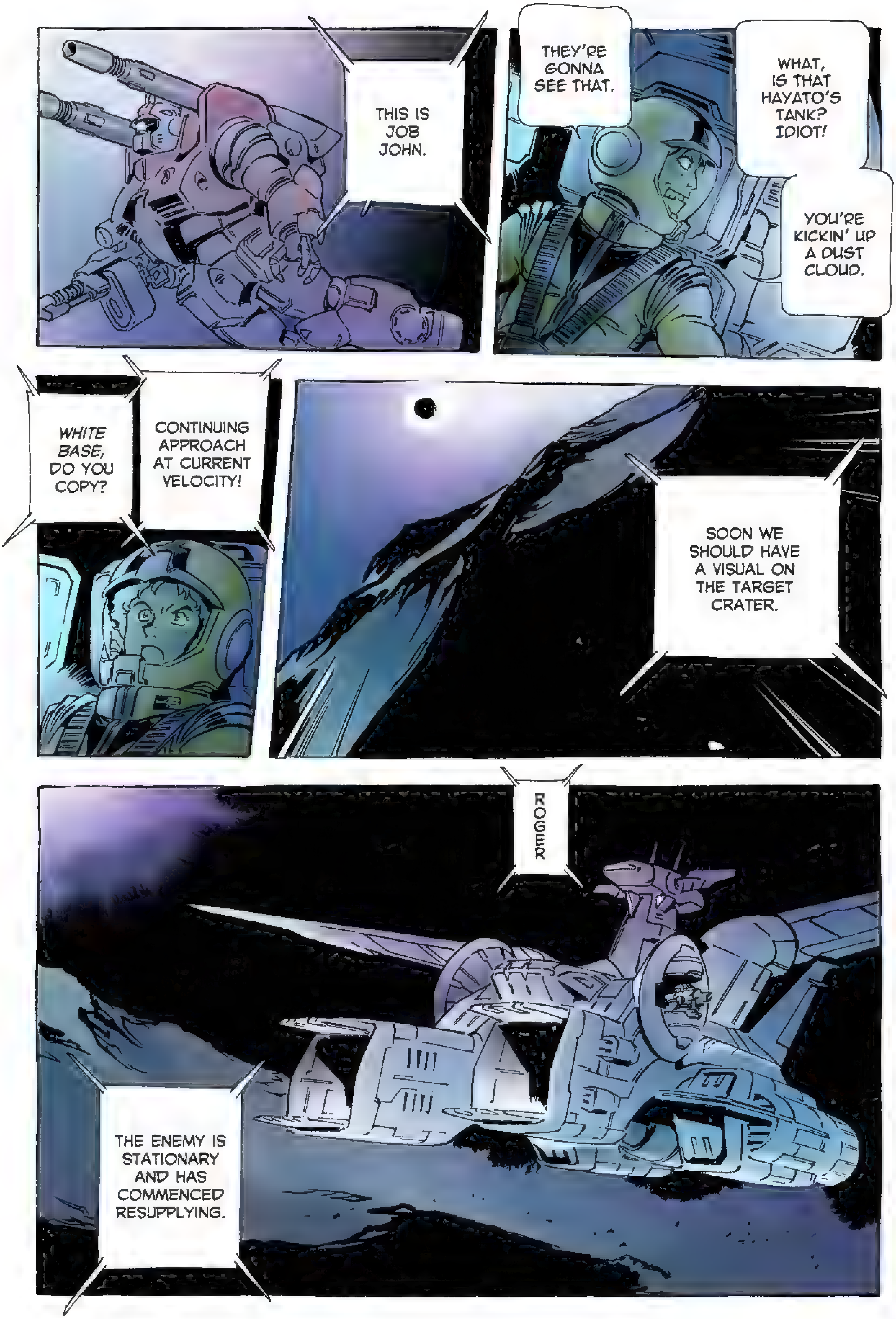
LAUNCH COM-PLETE!
CANNON 02, JOB JOHN UNIT ...
HOOO BOY...
UH...
AYE AYE!
03 IS NEXT!
GET INTO A CROUCH !

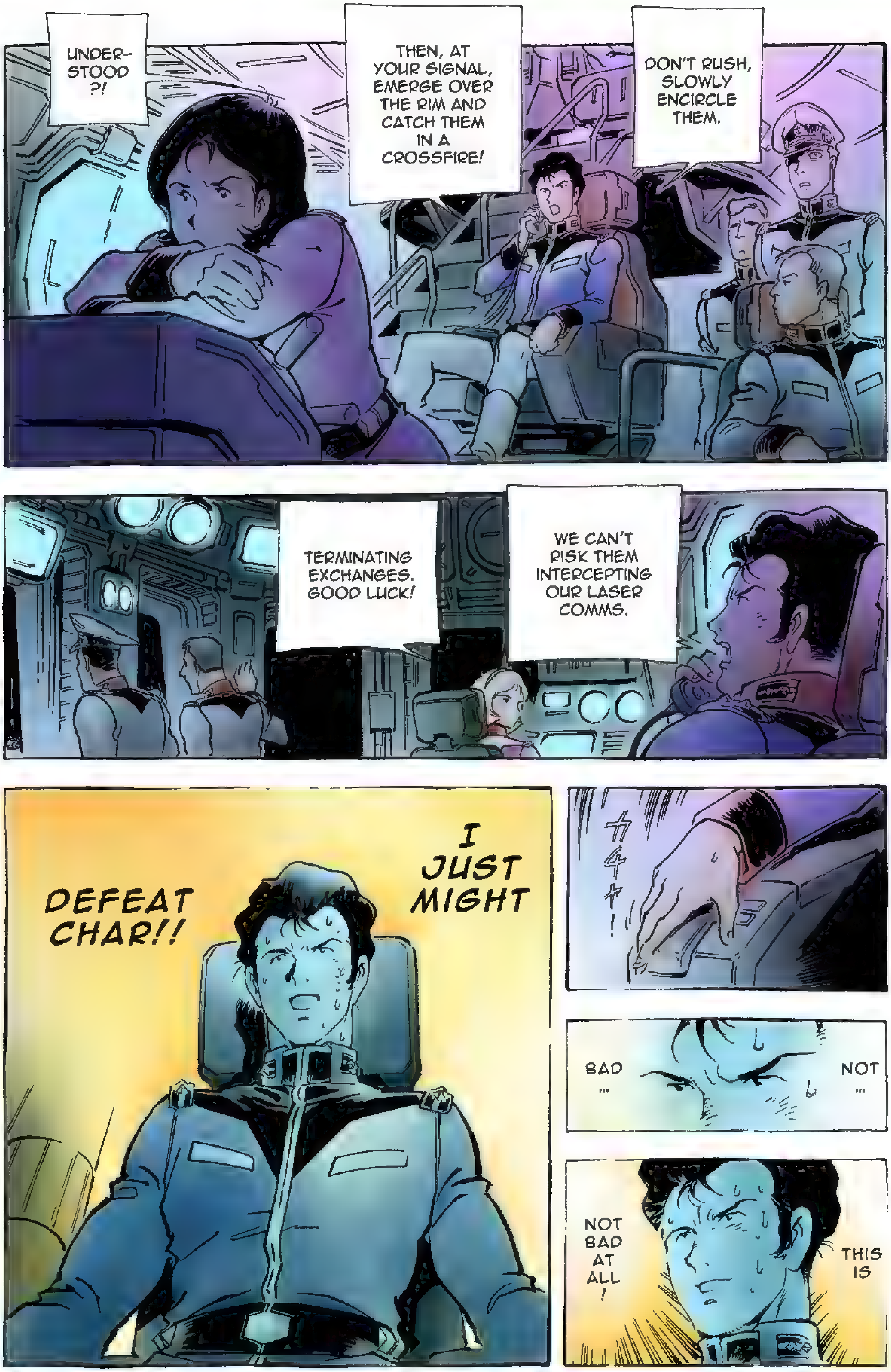

OOF!
PULL THE LEVER!
KAI! YOU'LL HIT THE GROUND!

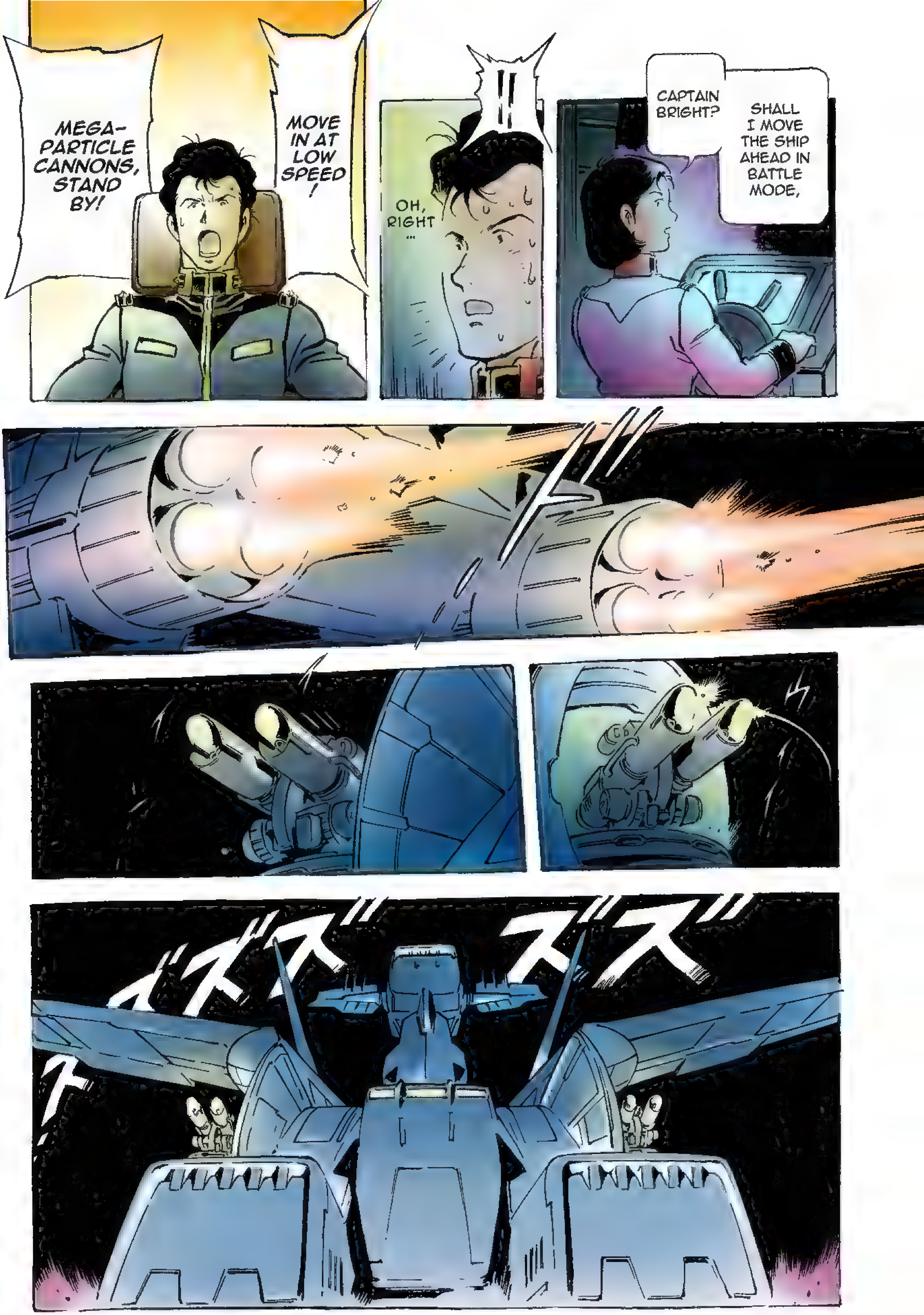

HEY, JUDO, NO WORRIES!
WE GET TO TAKE IT SLOW!
AT EARTHSIDE G, YOU'D HAVE GONE DOWN IN FLAMES...
THAT DUMB-ASS.

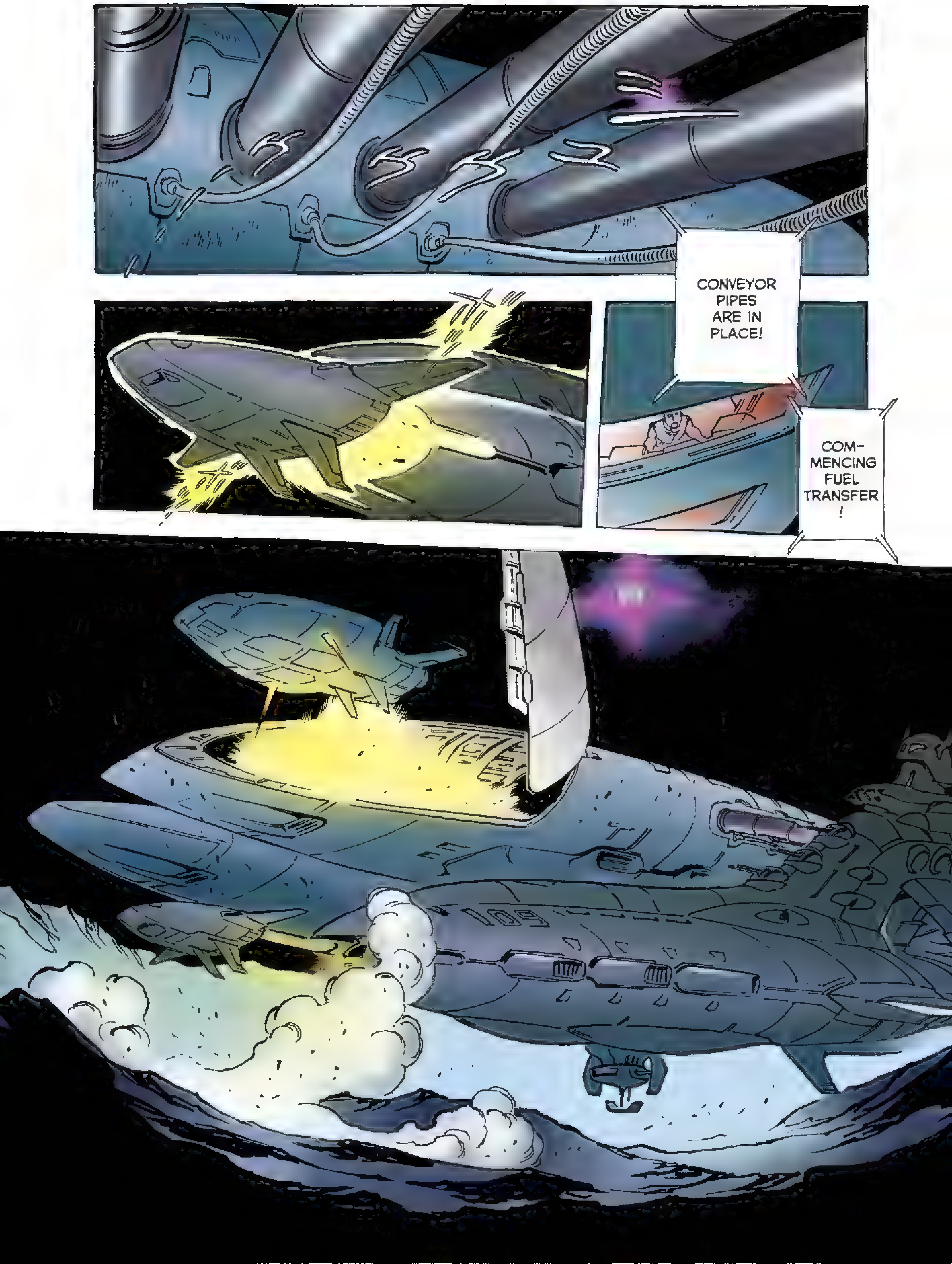

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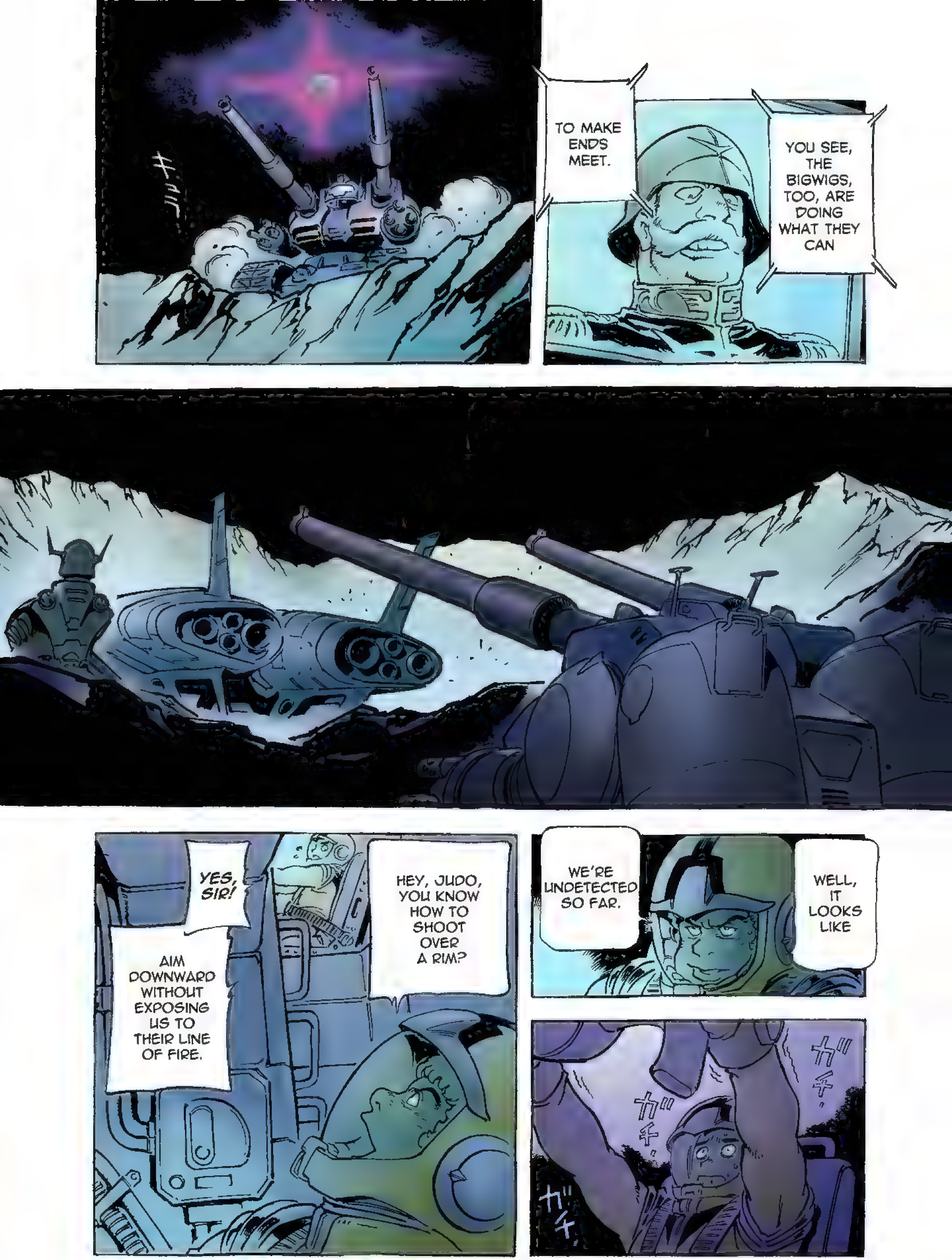

THIS IS JOB JOHN.
THEY'RE GONNA SEE THAT.
WHAT, IS THAT HAYATO'S TANK? IDIOT!
YOU'RE KICKIN' UP A DUST CLOUD.
WHITE BASE, DO YOU COPY?
CONTINUING APPROACH AT CURRENT VELOCITY!
SOON WE SHOULD HAVE A VISUAL ON THE TARGET CRATER.
ROGER
THE ENEMY IS STATIONARY AND HAS COMMENCED RESUPPLYING.

UNDER-STOOD?!
THEN, AT YOUR SIGNAL, EMERGE OVER THE RIM AND CATCH THEM IN A CROSSFIRE!
DON'T RUSH, SLOWLY ENCIRCLE THEM.
TERMINATING EXCHANGES. GOOD LUCK!
WE CAN'T RISK THEM INTERCEPTING OUR LASER COMMS.
I JUST MIGHT
DEFEAT CHAR!!
カチャ!
NOT...
BAD...
THIS IS
NOT BAD AT ALL!


MEGA-PARTICLE CANNONS, STAND BY!
MOVE IN AT LOW SPEED!
OH, RIGHT ...
CAPTAIN BRIGHT?
SHALL I MOVE THE SHIP AHEAD IN BATTLE MODE,


CONVEYOR PIPES ARE IN PLACE!
COM-MENCING FUEL TRANSFER!


I DON'T THINK THIS DOUBLE KOM BUSINESS
WILL EVER GROW ON ME.
THE BALANCE IS ALL OFF WHEN THEY'RE ATTACHED.
Like they're step-children Musai...
IF YOU HAVE ANY COMPLAINTS, TAKE IT UP WITH VICE ADMIRAL DOZLE!
I ASKED FOR ONE PLATOON. BUT THERE ARE ONLY THREE... AND INITIAL PRODUCTION MODELS, AT THAT?
CHAR, WE'RE DELIVERING THE ZAKUS!

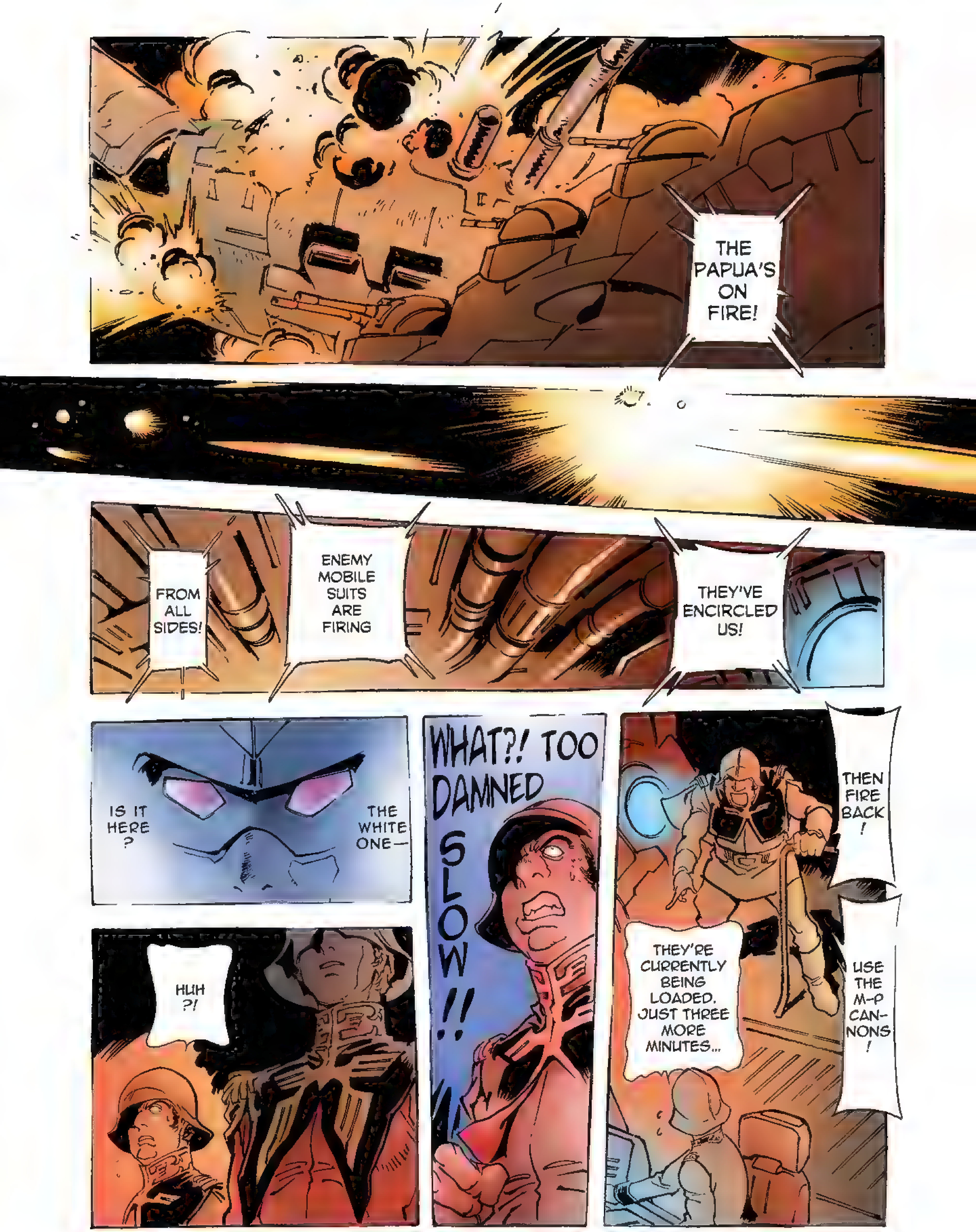

YOU SEE, THE BIGWIGS, TOO, ARE DOING WHAT THEY CAN
TO MAKE ENDS MEET.
WELL, IT LOOKS LIKE
WE'RE UNDETECTED SO FAR.
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HEY, JUDO, YOU KNOW HOW TO SHOOT OVER A RIM?
YES, SIR!
AIM DOWNWARD WITHOUT EXPOSING US TO THEIR LINE OF FIRE.

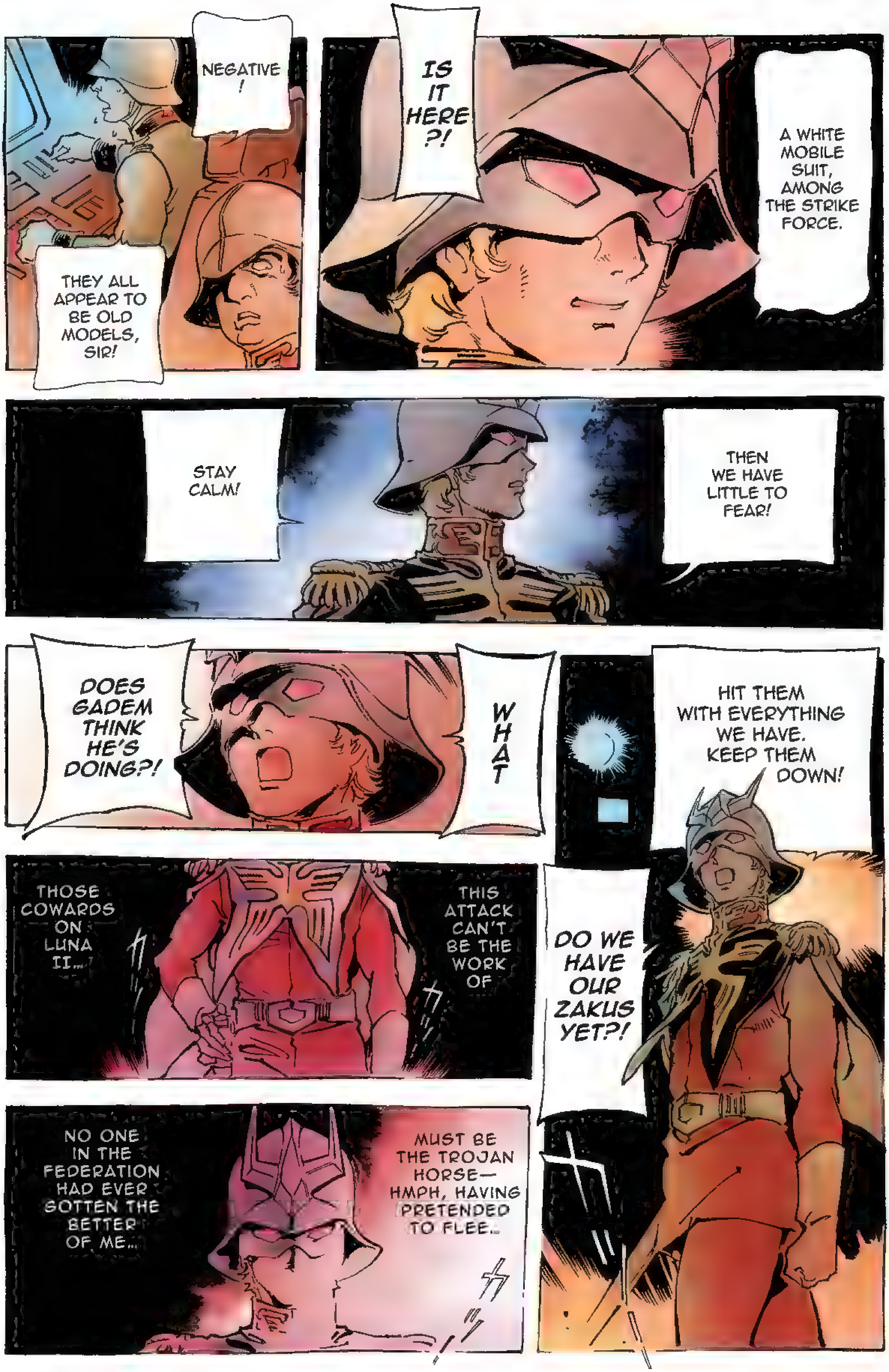

GET THE MAXIMUM ANGLE OF DEPRES-SION
AND FROM POINT-BLANK RANGE —
ACK!
A HIT!
WAS THAT JOHN'S ?!
TCH!
THAT YOU, KAI ?!
TOO SOON.
IDIOT.


AAAGGH!


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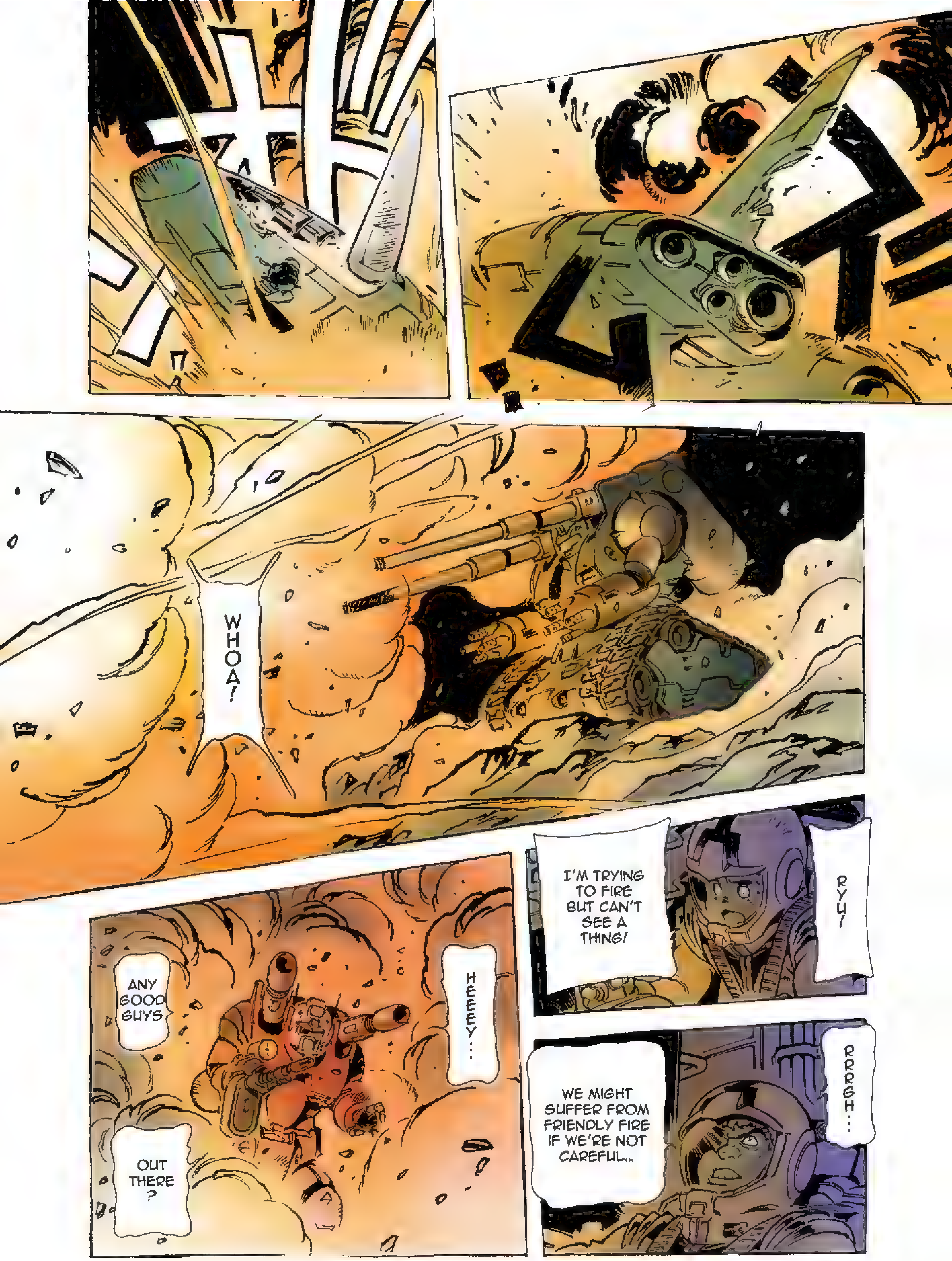


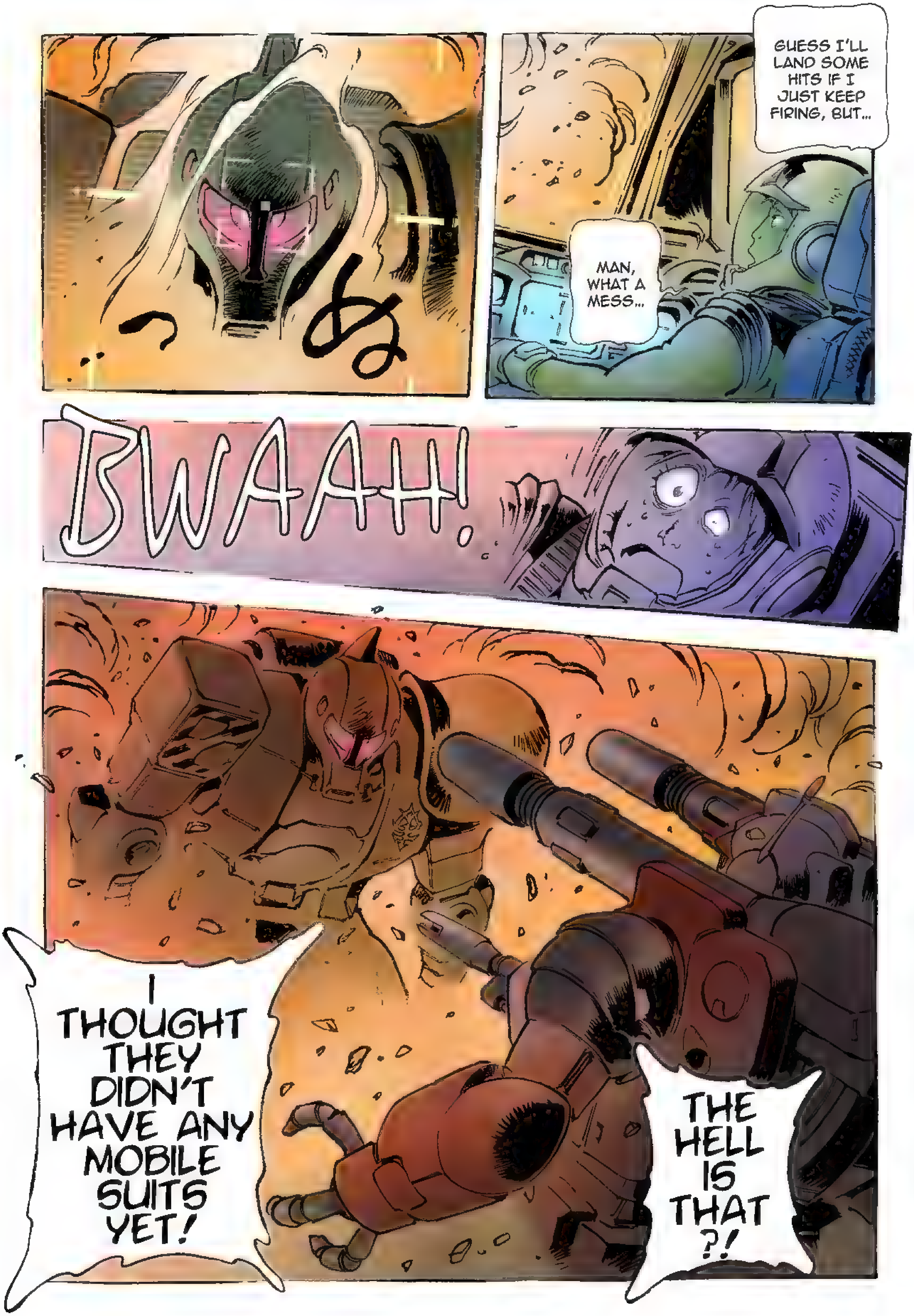

THE PAPUA'S ON FIRE!
FROM ALL SIDES!
ENEMY MOBILE SUITS ARE FIRING
THEY'VE ENCIRCLED US!
IS IT HERE?
THE WHITE ONE—
HUH?!
WHAT?! TOO DAMNED SLOW!!
THEN FIRE BACK!
THEY'RE CURRENTLY BEING LOADED. JUST THREE MORE MINUTES...
USE THE M-P CANNONS!


NEGATIVE!
THEY ALL APPEAR TO BE OLD MODELS, SIR!
IS IT HERE?!
A WHITE MOBILE SUIT, AMONG THE STRIKE FORCE.
STAY CALM!
THEN WE HAVE LITTLE TO FEAR!
DOES GADEM THINK HE'S DOING?!
WHAT
HIT THEM WITH EVERYTHING WE HAVE. KEEP THEM DOWN!
THOSE COWARDS ON LUNA II...
THIS ATTACK CAN'T BE THE WORK OF
DO WE HAVE OUR ZAKUS YET?!
NO ONE IN THE FEDERATION HAD EVER GOTTEN THE BETTER OF ME...
MUST BE THE TROJAN HORSE— HMPH, HAVING PRETENDED TO FLEE...

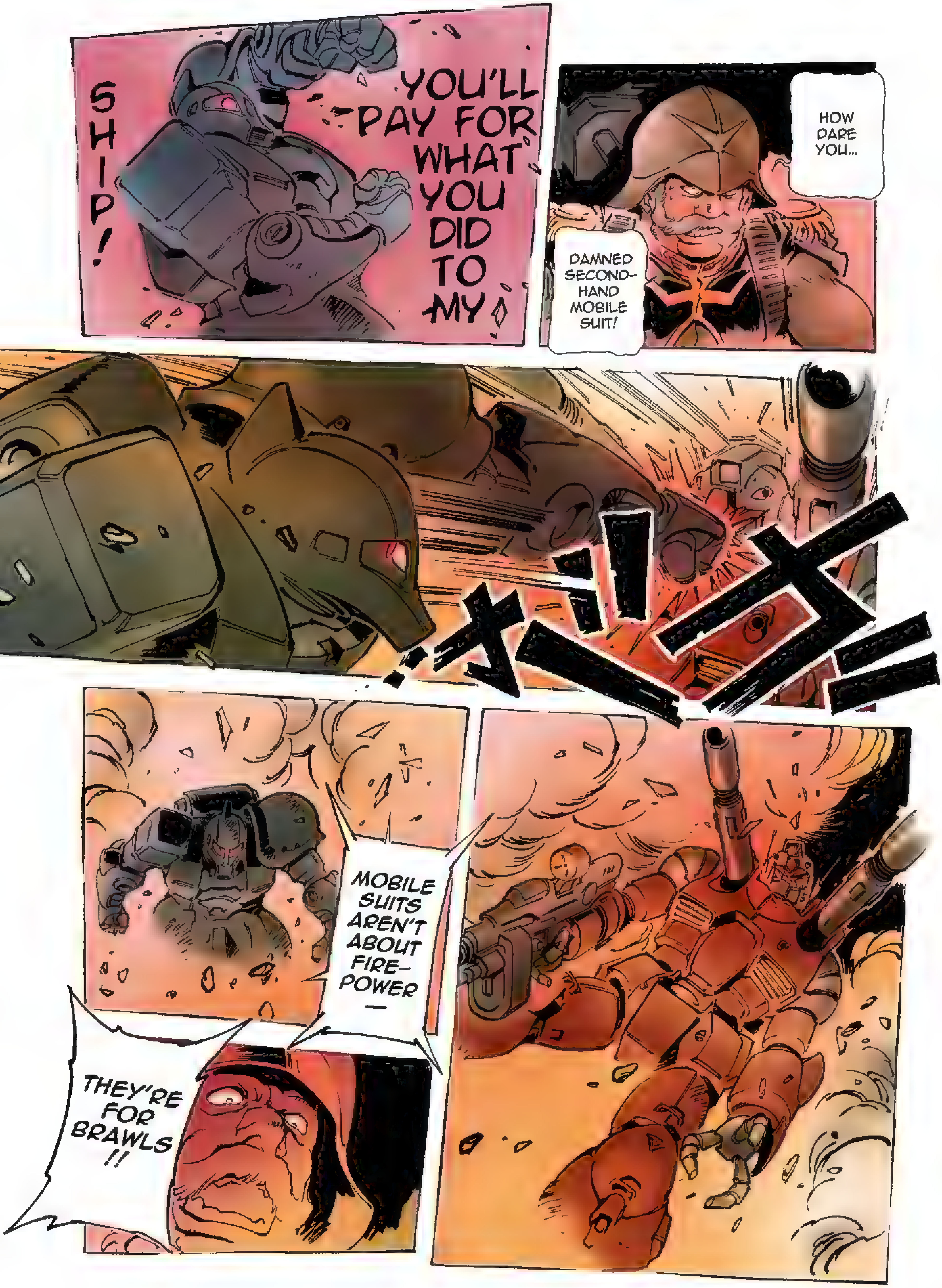

HOW NOW.
NO MEAN BUNCH, THIS ENEMY!!
CHAR!
MY SHIP IS DONE FOR.


EVERYTHING SHE'S CARRYING
IS YOURS !!
SO IS
THIS ZAKU!
TAKE IT!!


WHOA!
I'M TRYING TO FIRE BUT CAN'T SEE A THING!
RYU!
ANY GOOD GUYS
OUT THERE?
HEEEEY...
WE MIGHT SUFFER FROM FRIENDLY FIRE IF WE'RE NOT CAREFUL...
RRRGH...



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GUESS I'LL LAND SOME HITS IF I JUST KEEP FIRING, BUT...
MAN, WHAT A MESS...
BWAAH!
I THOUGHT THEY DIDN'T HAVE ANY MOBILE SUITS YET!
THE HELL IS THAT ?!

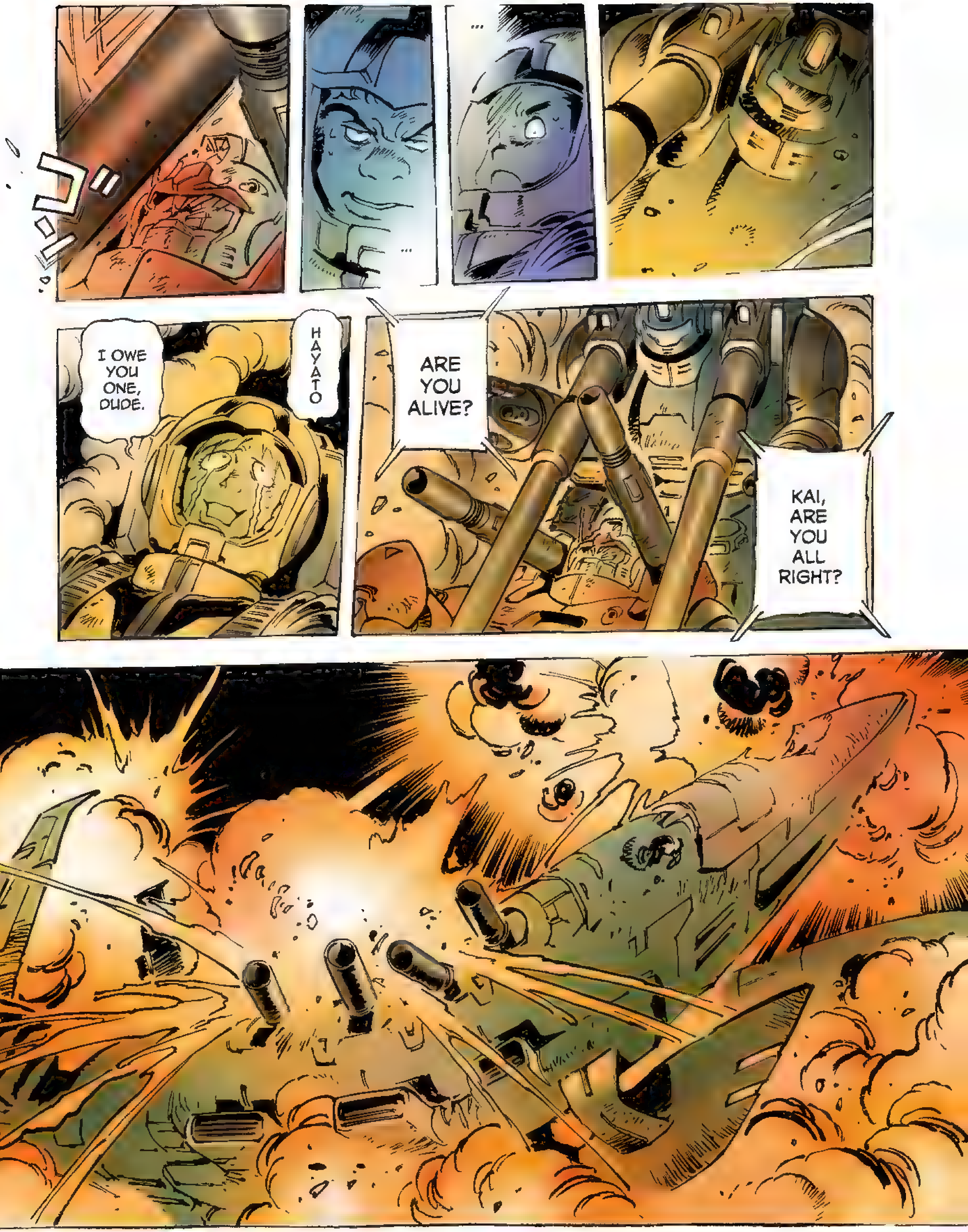

YOU'LL PAY FOR WHAT YOU DID TO MY SHIP!
HOW DARE YOU...
DAMNED SECOND-HAND MOBILE SUIT!
MOBILE SUITS AREN'T ABOUT FIRE-POWER—
THEY'RE FOR BRAWLS!!


AND THIS MATCH IS AS GOOD AS OVER!
EVEN UNARMED I WILL NEVER BE TAKEN OUT BY YOUR LIKE!
I, LT. COMMANDER GADEM, ONE OF THE PIONEERS OF MS GRAPPLING,
WILL SHOW YOU WHAT A BATTLE-HARDENED VETERAN CAN DO!!
AAGGH!
HELP MEEE!


Ah


Oh
Huh ?
Yes-sir!
FIRE!!
NOW


URRGH!!
THIS UPSET!
AND NOW... AT THE END...

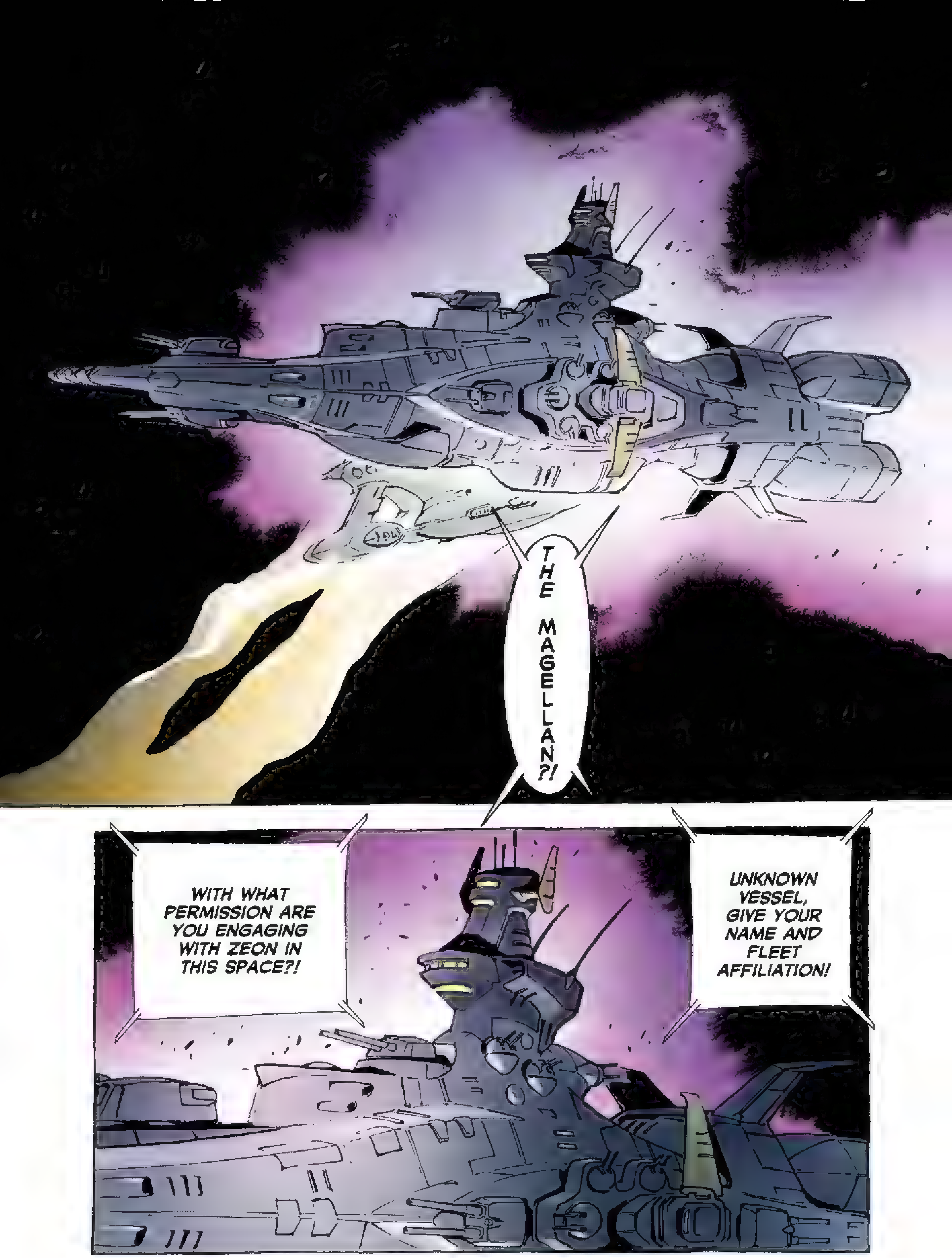

KAI, ARE YOU ALL RIGHT?
ARE YOU ALIVE?
HAYATO
I OWE YOU ONE, DUDE.

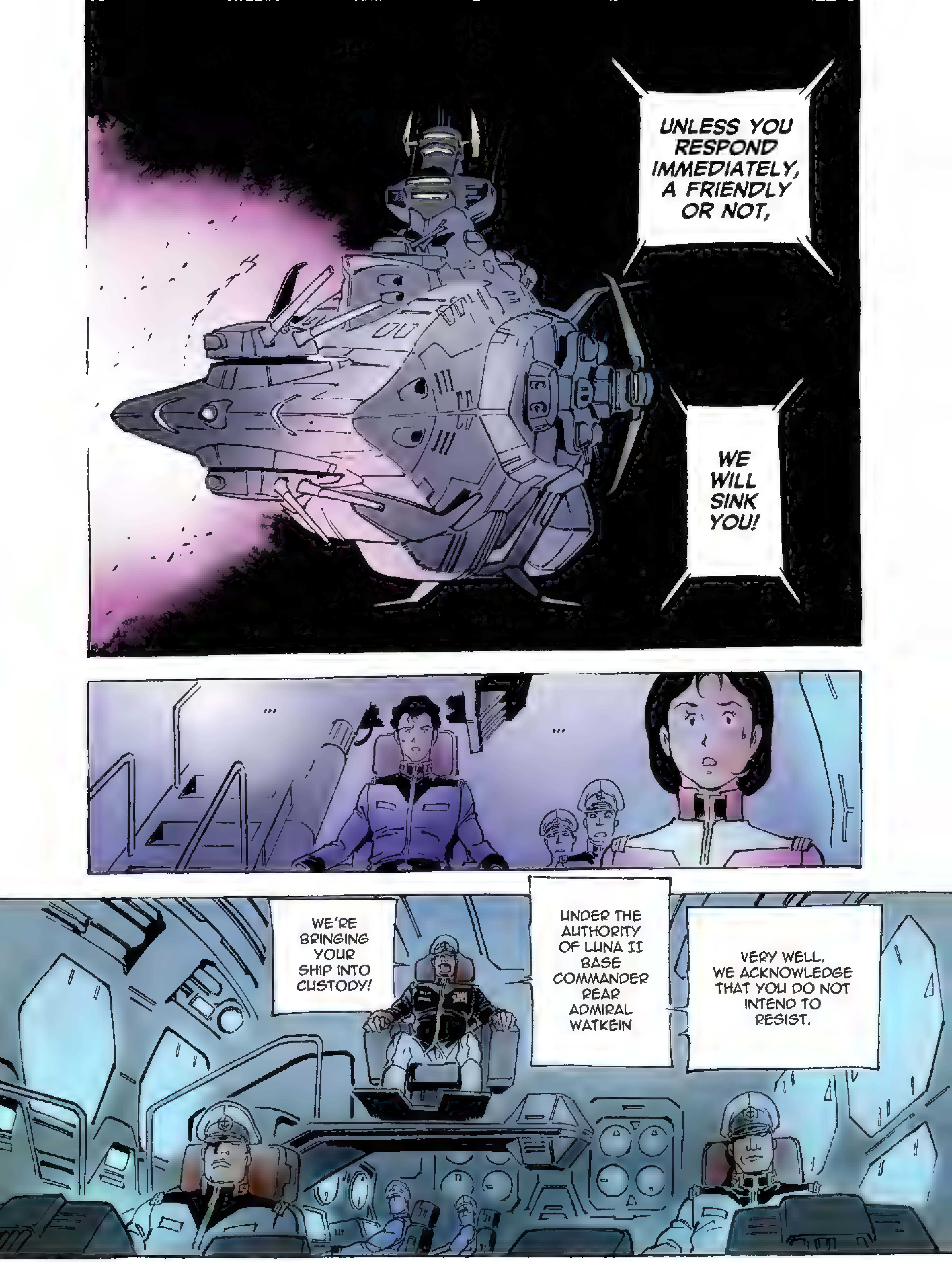


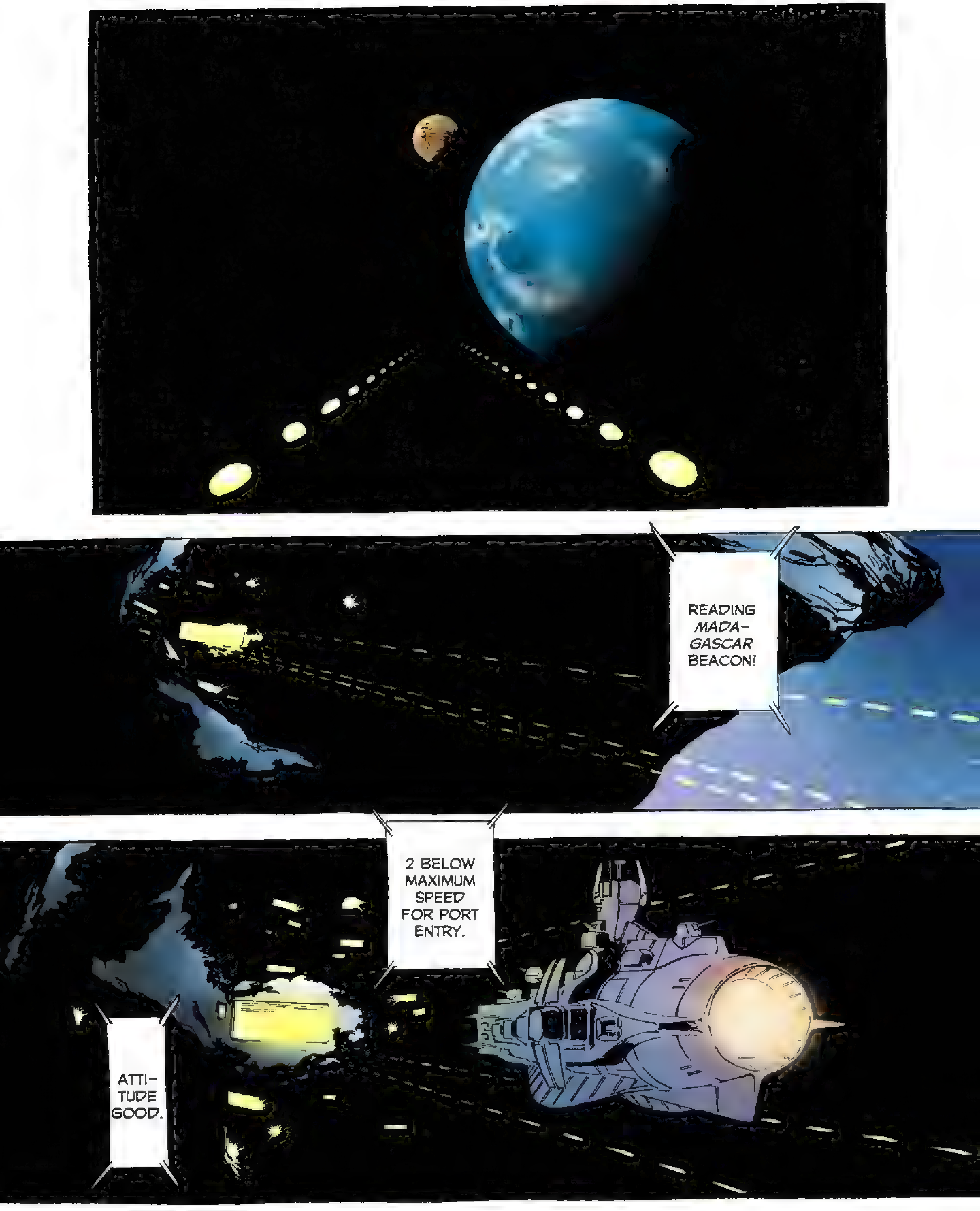

MUSAI
RISING
!!!

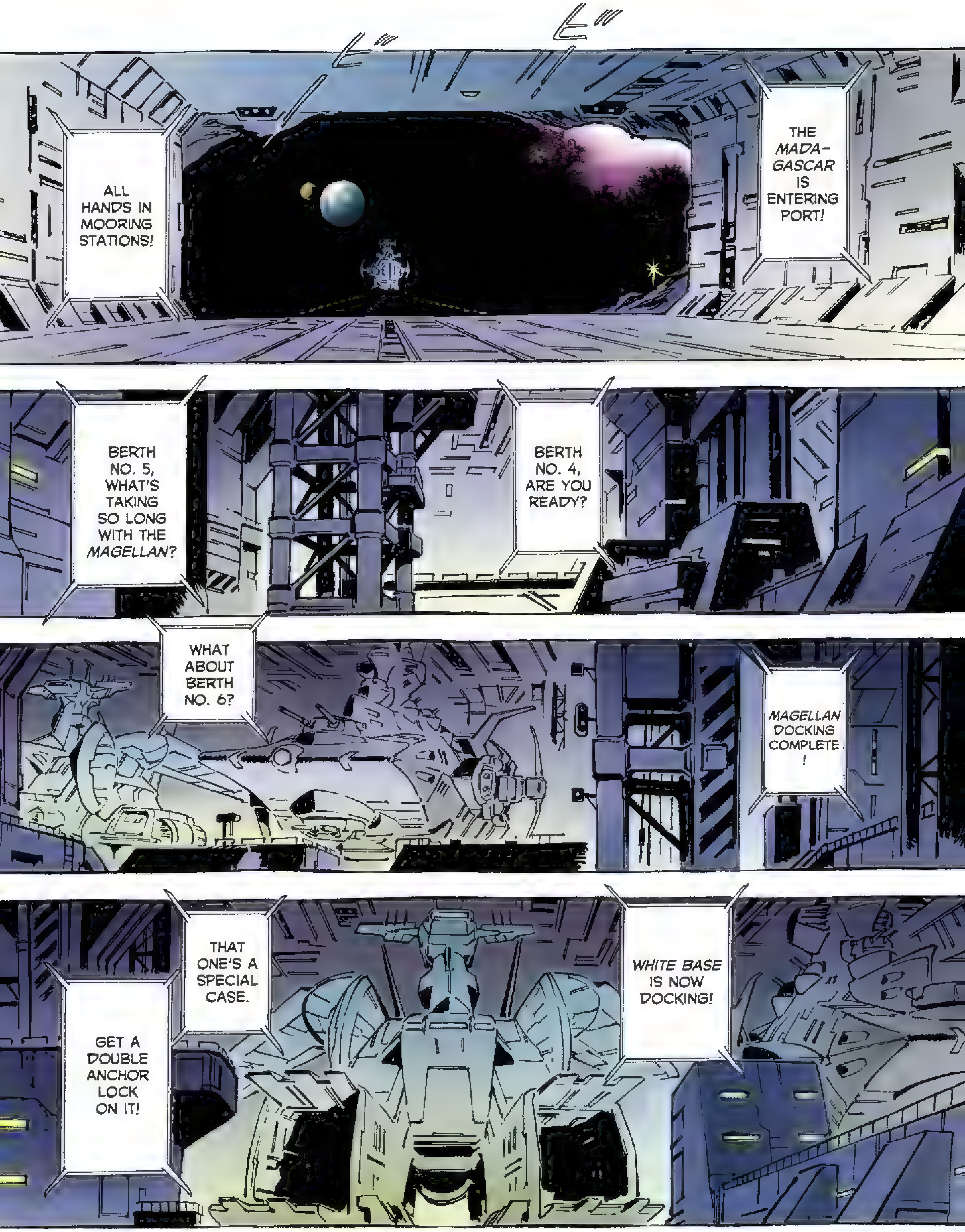

MEGA-PARTICLE CANNONS, BOTH SIDE MISSILE TUBES, AIM!
DO NOT MISS!!


WAIT
WH-
WHAT IS THAT?!


THE MAGELLAN?!
UNKNOWN VESSEL, GIVE YOUR NAME AND FLEET AFFILIATION!
WITH WHAT PERMISSION ARE YOU ENGAGING WITH ZEON IN THIS SPACE?!


UNLESS YOU RESPOND IMMEDIATELY, A FRIENDLY OR NOT,
WE WILL SINK YOU!
...
...
WE'RE BRINGING YOUR SHIP INTO CUSTODY!
UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF LUNA II BASE COMMANDER REAR ADMIRAL WATKEIN
VERY WELL. WE ACKNOWLEDGE THAT YOU DO NOT INTEND TO RESIST.


READING *MADA-GASCAR* BEACON!
2 BELOW MAXIMUM SPEED FOR PORT ENTRY.
ATTI-TUDE GOOD.


THE MADAGASCAR IS ENTERING PORT!
ALL HANDS IN MOORING STATIONS!
BERTH NO. 4, ARE YOU READY?
BERTH NO. 5, WHAT'S TAKING SO LONG WITH THE MAGELLAN?
MAGELLAN DOCKING COMPLETE!
WHAT ABOUT BERTH NO. 6?
WHITE BASE IS NOW DOCKING!
THAT ONE'S A SPECIAL CASE.
GET A DOUBLE ANCHOR LOCK ON IT!

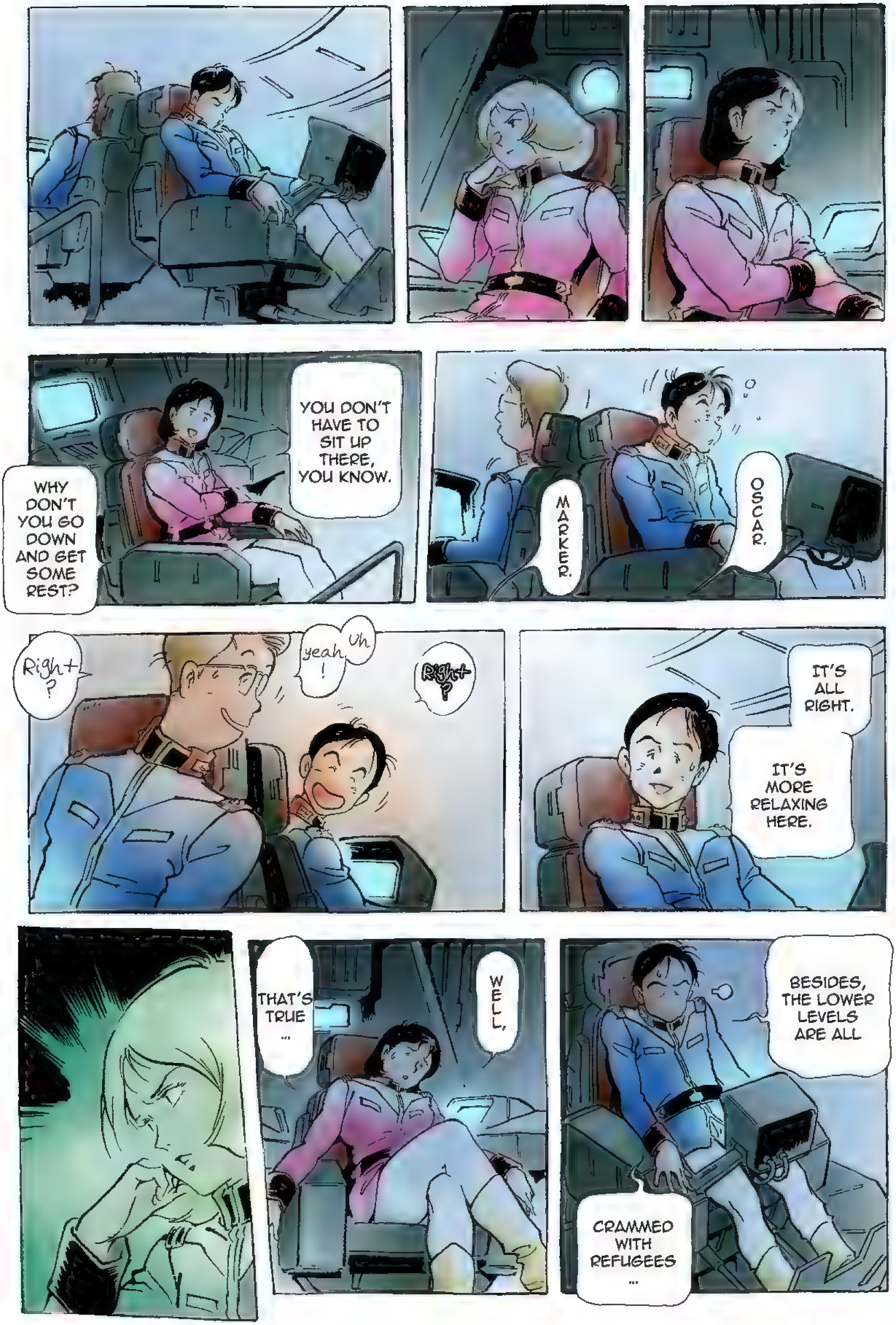

I'M LUNA II COMMANDER WATKEIN.
YOU MUST BE LTJG BRIGHT NOA, ACTING CAPTAIN OF THE TRANSPORT SHIP *WHITE BASE*?
TAKE A SEAT.
I'VE HEARD ALL THE REPORTS.
I'VE ALSO MADE AN INQUIRY TO JABURO REGARDING YOUR CURRENT MISSION.
AS THE ONE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE SAFETY OF LUNA II
I CANNOT OVERLOOK THE ACTIONS YOU'VE TAKEN.
SIR, WE NOW HAVE ALL THE CREW OF *WHITE BASE* RANKING NCOS AND ABOVE IN CUSTODY!
ALL OTHERS, INCLUDING THE REFUGEES,
ARE BEING HELD ABOARD THE SHIP!

IF YOU'VE SPOKEN TO JABURO, THEN YOU UNDERSTAND HOW SERIOUS OUR MISSION IS!
WE CAN'T AFFORD ANY DELAYS!
COM-MAN-DER!
THIS TREATMENT IS COMPLETELY UNJUSTIFIED!
WE HAD A CHANCE JUST NOW TO DESTROY CHAR'S MUSAI...
IF THE *MAGELLAN* HADN'T INTERVENED
WE COULD HAVE TAKEN OUT THE RED COMET, THE FEDERATION'S NEMESIS!
GOING A BIT FAR, AREN'T YOU,
LTJG?
I CAN'T FAULT YOUR CANDOR. HOWEVER...
YOU DON'T SEEM TO UNDERSTAND THE SITUATION.
ARE YOU SAYING WE WERE IN YOUR WAY, OR WHAT?!
THAT'S EXACTLY WHAT I'M SAYING!


YOU DO NOT UNDERSTAND HOW THIS BASE, LUNA II, HAS SURVIVED AS A LONE ISLAND IN A ZEON SEA.
AND YOU DO NOT UNDERSTAND HOW STRATEGICALLY CRITICAL MAINTAINING THE FRAGILE TENSION HERE IS
TO THE WHOLE OF THE FEDERATION.
WHAT'S MORE,
YOU'RE IN GRAVE VIOLATION OF PROTOCOLS.
ASSIGNING MULTIPLE CIVILIANS CENTRAL ROLES IN CLASSIFIED MILITARY OPERATIONS —
EVEN PUTTING THEM IN *UNIFORM!*
THAT'S NOT ALL!
THERE IS EVIDENCE THAT YOU DISREGARDED THE FACT THAT THE GUNDAM ENTRUSTED TO YOU IS A TOP SECRET—
THAT YOU USED IT IN COMBAT,
AND NOT JUST ONCE!
I
I CAN EX-PLAIN!
WE HAD TO REPLACE THE CREW WE LOST AT SIDE 7—
AS FOR THE UNIFORMS, WE HAD CAPTAIN PAOLO'S PERMISSION, TO DISTINGUISH THEM FROM THE OTHER REFUGEES...
...
IN LIGHT OF YOUR POSITION, I MUST HOLD YOU TO ACCOUNT.
IF NEED BE, MY MEN CAN TAKE OVER
TRANS-PORTING THE GUNDAM TO JABURO.



THEN PLEASE,
SIR,
AT LEAST LET THE REFUGEES DISEMBARK!
THERE ARE THOU-SANDS OF THEM!
THE SHIP SIMPLY DOESN'T HAVE THE CAPACITY TO ACCOMMODATE THEM!
THOUGH I CAN'T PROMISE ANYTHING.
I'LL DO WHAT I CAN.

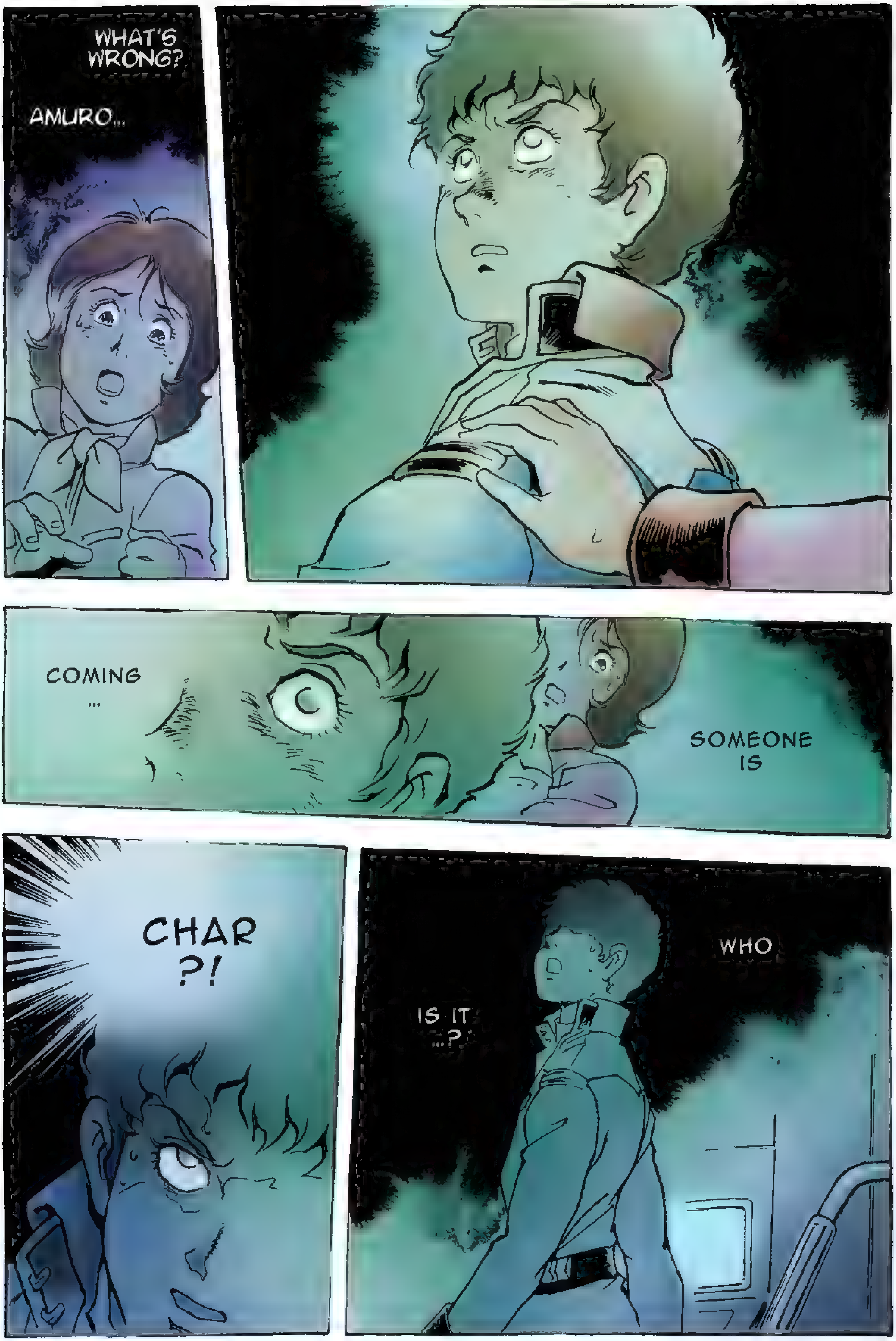

YOU DON'T HAVE TO SIT UP THERE, YOU KNOW.
WHY DON'T YOU GO DOWN AND GET SOME REST?
MARKER.
OSCAR.
Right?
Uh yeah!
Right?
IT'S ALL RIGHT.
IT'S MORE RELAXING HERE.
THAT'S TRUE ...
WELL,
BESIDES, THE LOWER LEVELS ARE ALL
CRAMMED WITH REFUGEES ...



WHAT'S WRONG,
SAYLA?
?
SOMEONE...
IS COMING...
WHO?
SOMEONE!
Huh?!


I NEED TO GET IN HERE!
PLEASE, LET ME THROUGH —
AAAAUGH

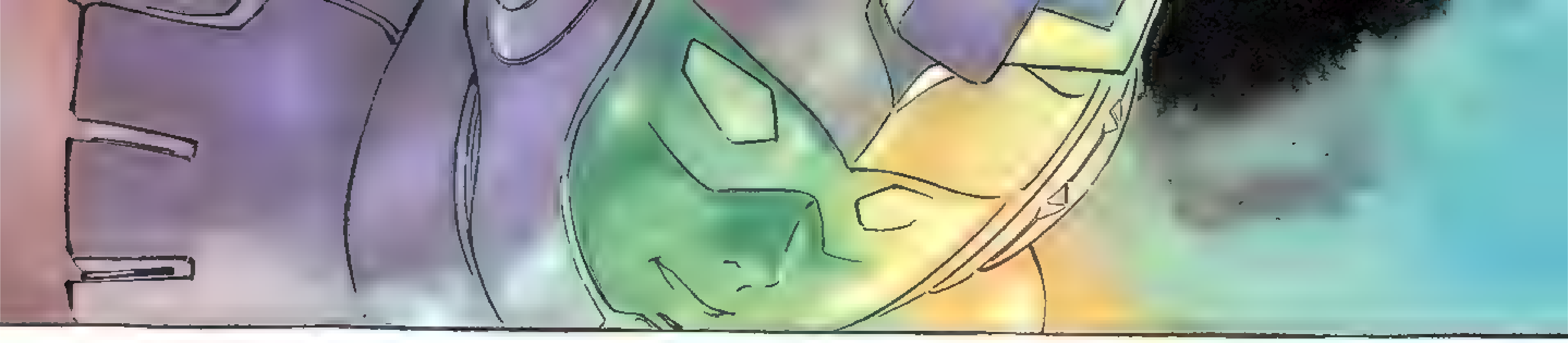

AMURO!
AHH
I KNEW YOU WERE HOLED UP IN HERE!
WHAT ARE YOU DOING?!
I THOUGHT YOU COULDN'T GO OUT ON THE MISSION BECAUSE YOU WERE BUSY FIXING UP THE GUNDAM!
HAYATO AND KAI
STILL AREN'T BACK, YOU KNOW!
MR. BRIGHT AND THE OTHERS
WERE DRAGGED OUT TO THE BASE HQ!
YOU EVEN GOT THIS FANCY ROOM ALL TO YOURSELF
'CUZ
YOU CAN OPERATE THE GUNDAM.
HEY!
SAY SOME-THING, AMURO!


WHAT'S WRONG?
AMURO...
COMING ...
SOMEONE IS
CHAR ?!
WHO
IS IT ...?



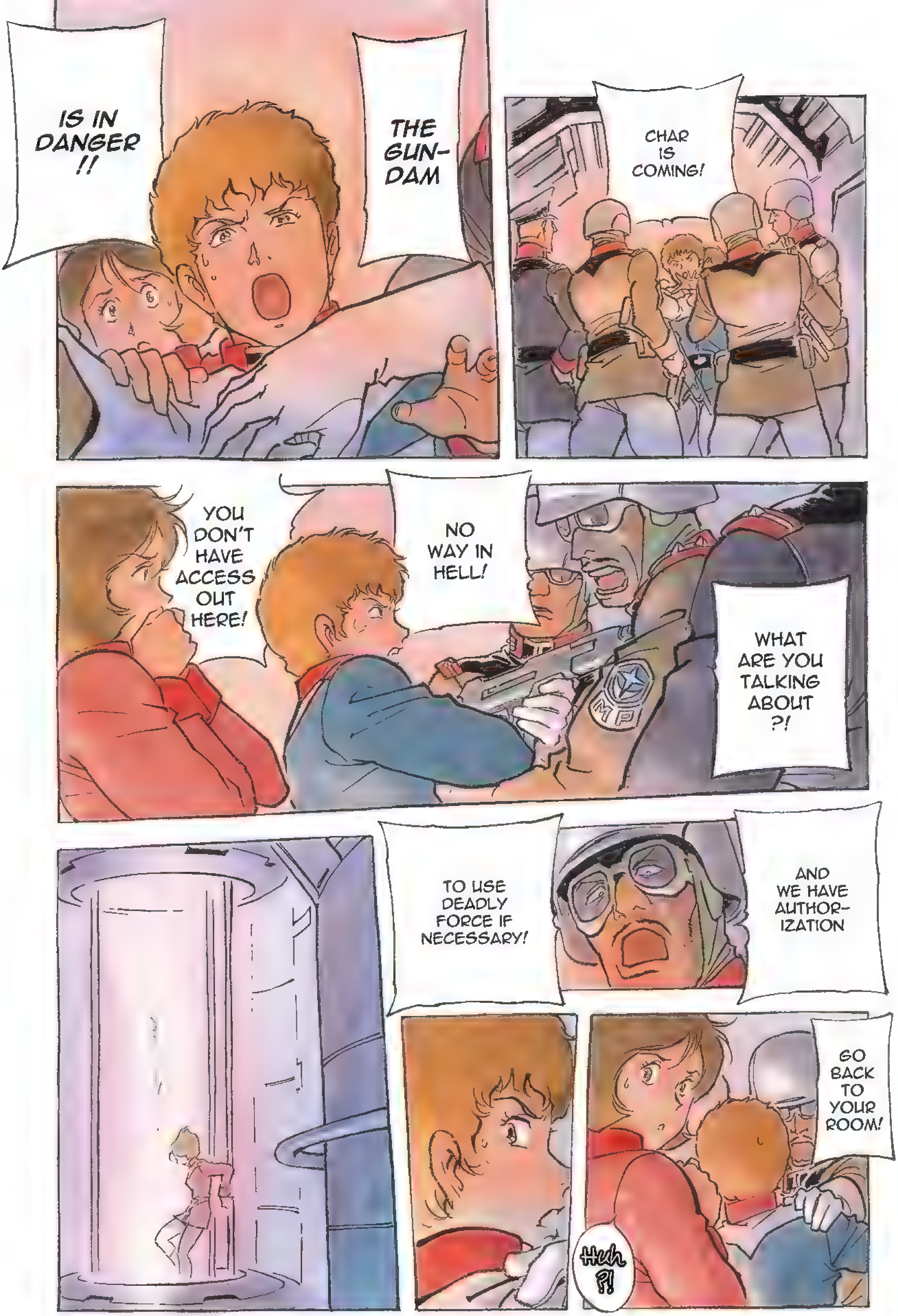

CHAR IS
COM-ING!
CHAR IS?!


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GO TO IT!

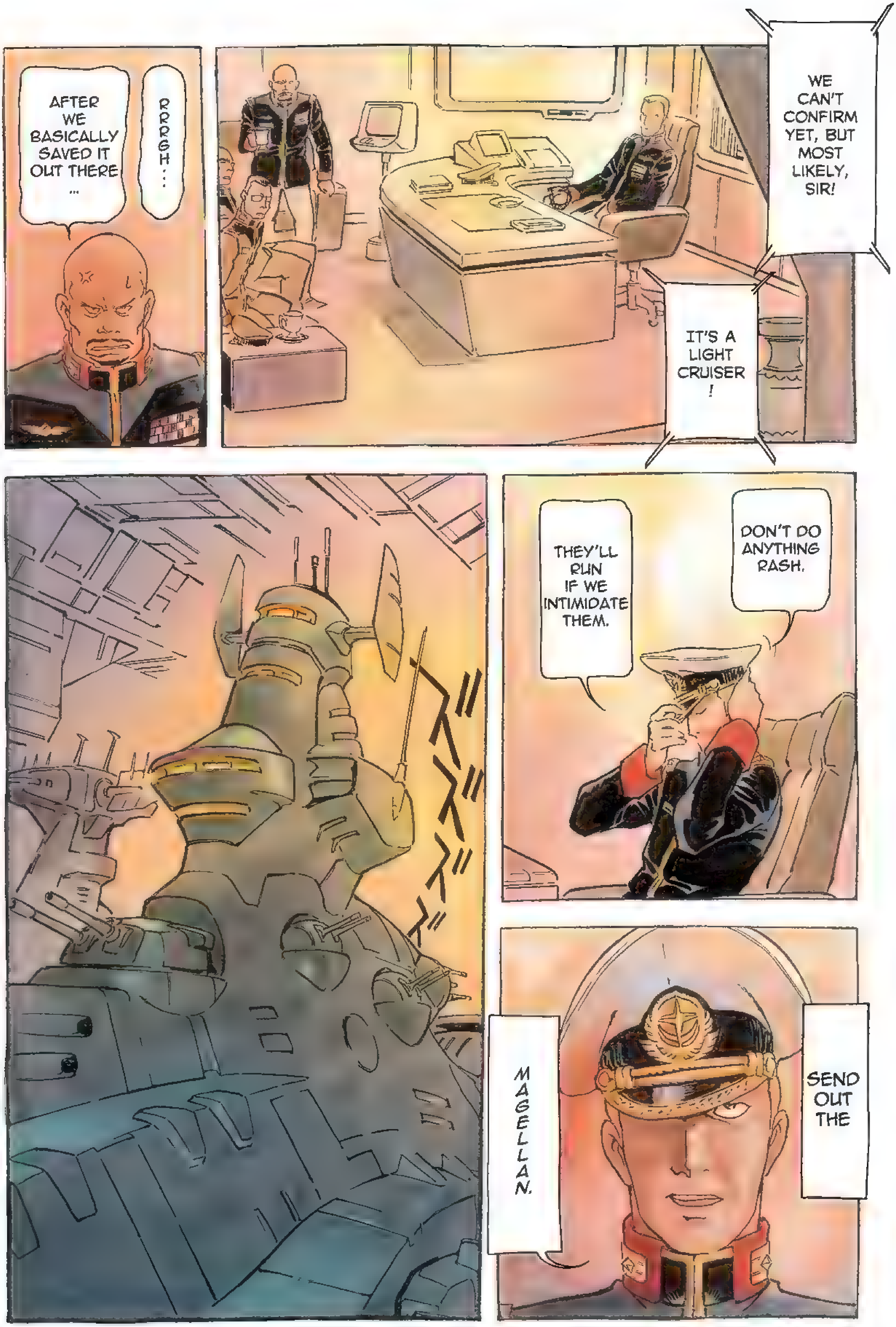

INFRARED SENSORS !
WATCH OUT FOR THE NET OF
PLEASE, LET ME THROUGH !
SOMETHING TERRIBLE IS GOING TO HAPPEN!

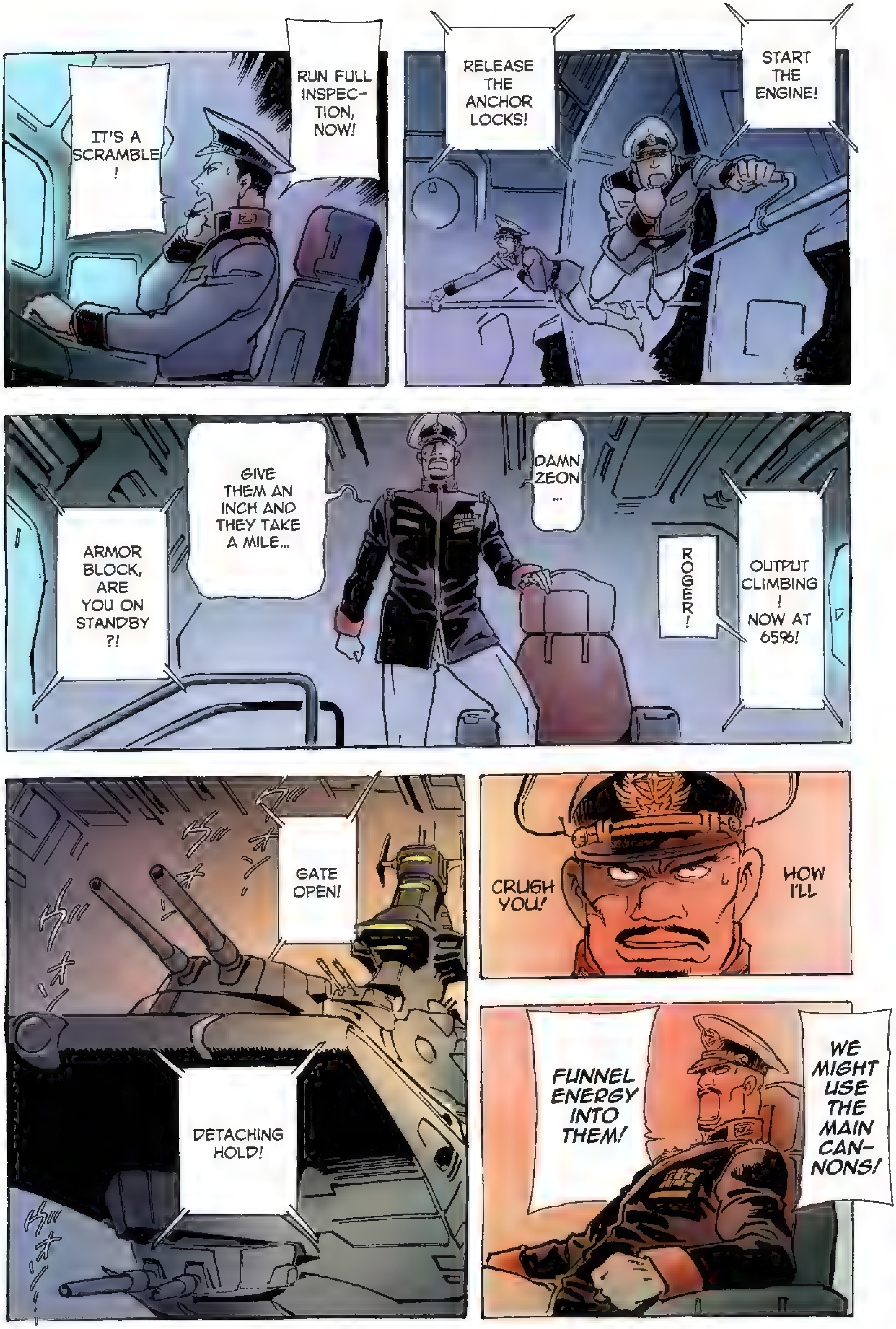

THE GUN-DAM
IS IN DANGER !!
CHAR IS COMING!
NO WAY IN HELL!
YOU DON'T HAVE ACCESS OUT HERE!
WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT ?!
AND WE HAVE AUTHOR-IZATION
TO USE DEADLY FORCE IF NECESSARY!
GO BACK TO YOUR ROOM!
Huh ?!

MISS SAYLA ...?

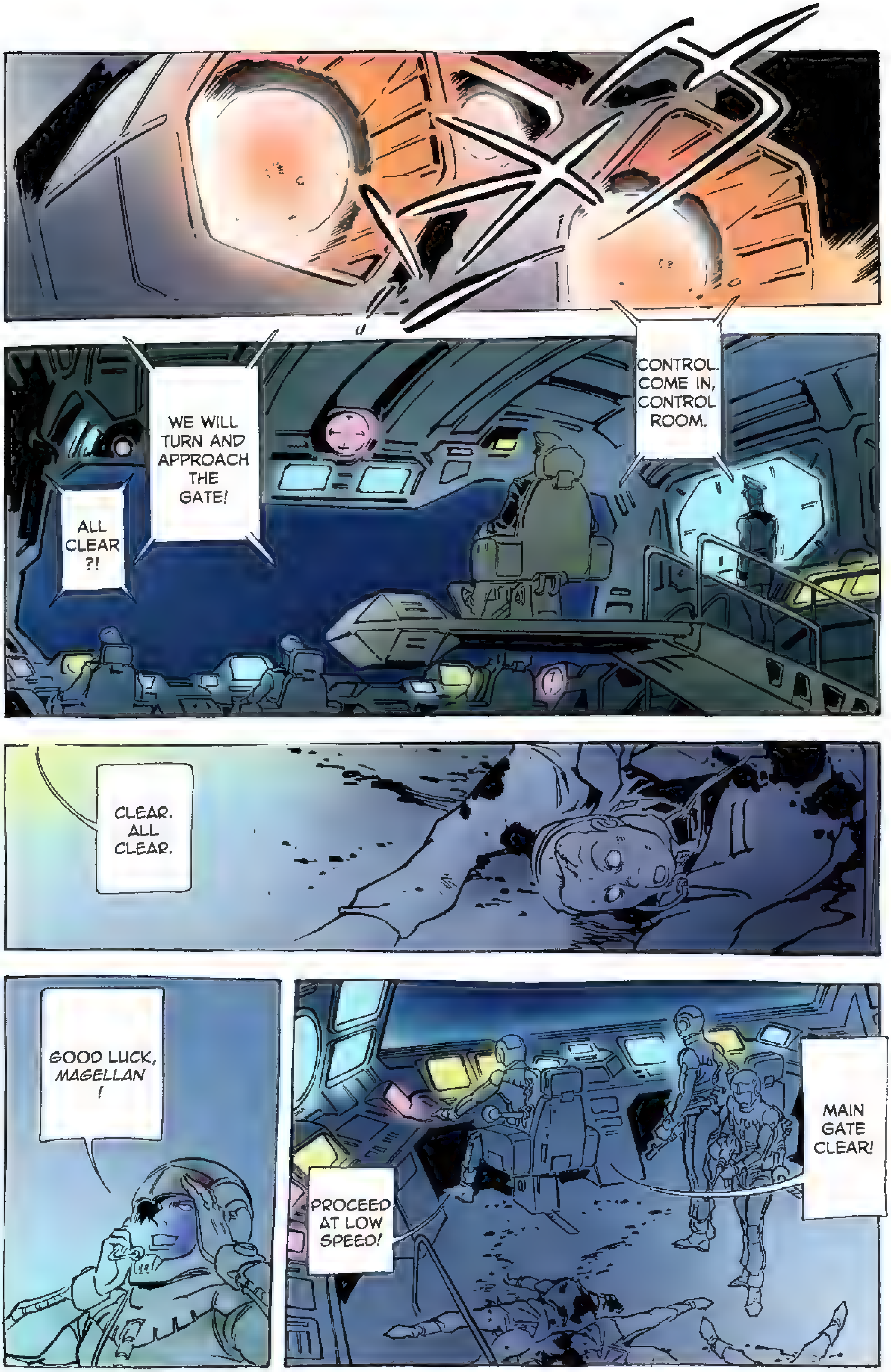

WE'RE UNDER FIRE!
A ZEON SHIP IS ATTACKING!!


THE MUSAI ?!


WE CAN'T CONFIRM YET, BUT MOST LIKELY, SIR!
IT'S A LIGHT CRUISER!
RRRGH...
AFTER WE BASICALLY SAVED IT OUT THERE...
DON'T DO ANYTHING RASH.
THEY'LL RUN IF WE INTIMIDATE THEM.
SEND OUT THE
MAGELLAN.


IT'S A SCRAMBLE!
RUN FULL INSPECTION, NOW!
RELEASE THE ANCHOR LOCKS!
START THE ENGINE!
ARMOR BLOCK, ARE YOU ON STANDBY?!
GIVE THEM AN INCH AND THEY TAKE A MILE...
DAMN ZEON...
ROGER!
OUTPUT CLIMBING! NOW AT 65%!
GATE OPEN!
DETACHING HOLD!
HOW I'LL
CRUSH YOU!
WE MIGHT USE THE MAIN CANNONS!
FUNNEL ENERGY INTO THEM!

ENTERING TURNPOINT!
ENGINE IS GOOD TO GO!
MOVE OUT!
ROGER!
GO ON, BACK UP...



CONTROL. COME IN, CONTROL ROOM.
WE WILL TURN AND APPROACH THE GATE!
ALL CLEAR ?!
CLEAR. ALL CLEAR.
GOOD LUCK, MAGELLAN !
MAIN GATE CLEAR!
PROCEED AT LOW SPEED!

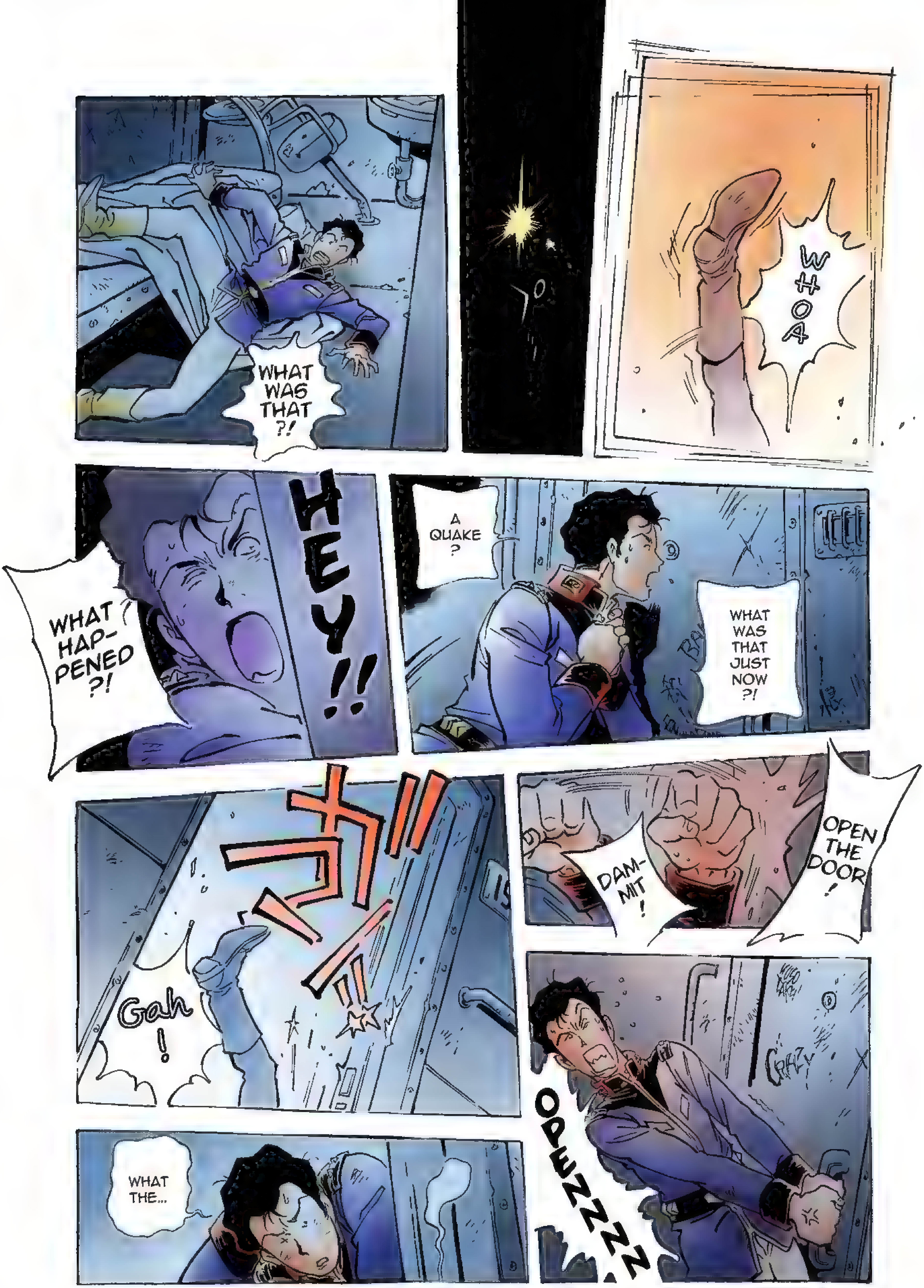

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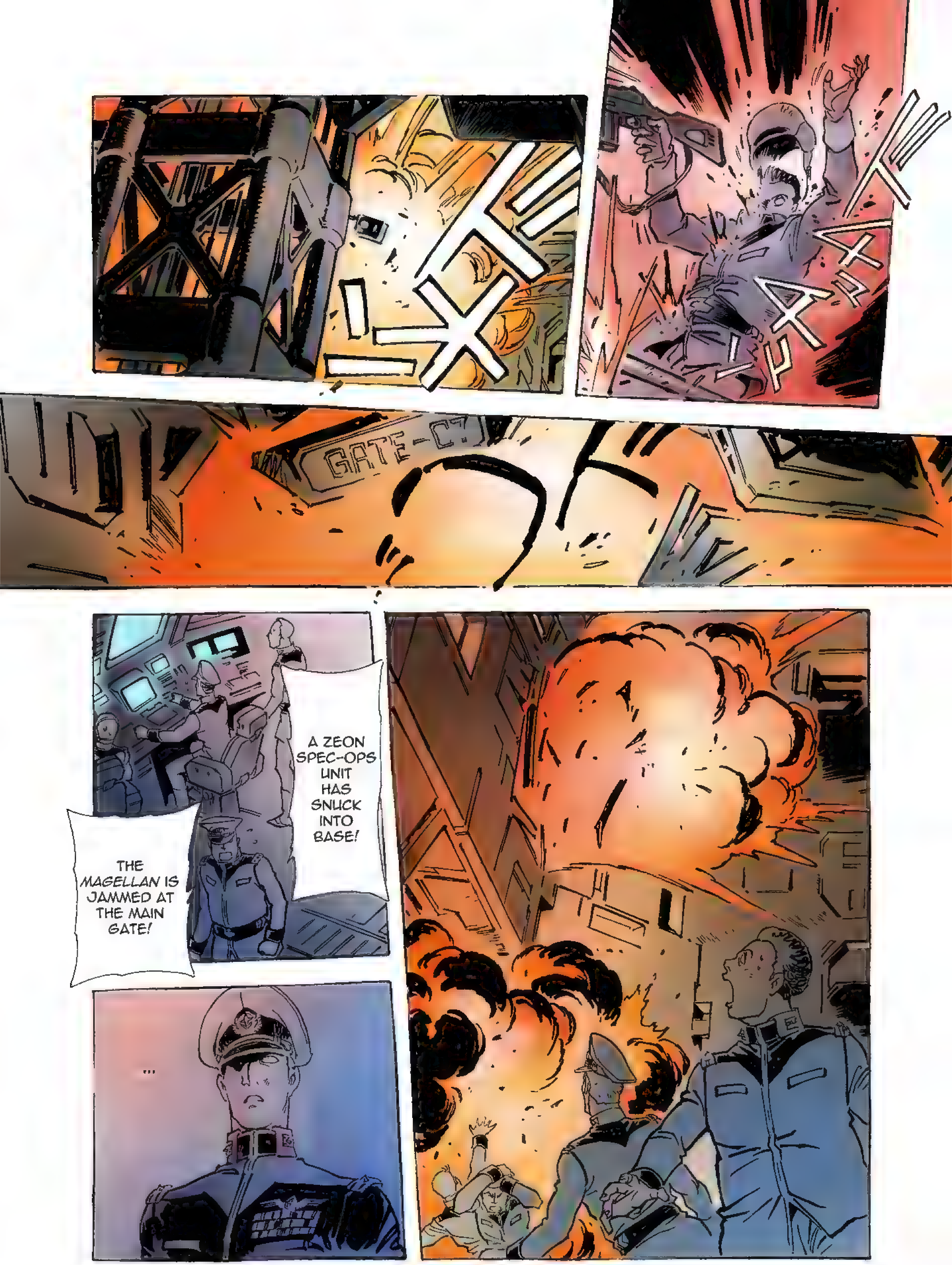

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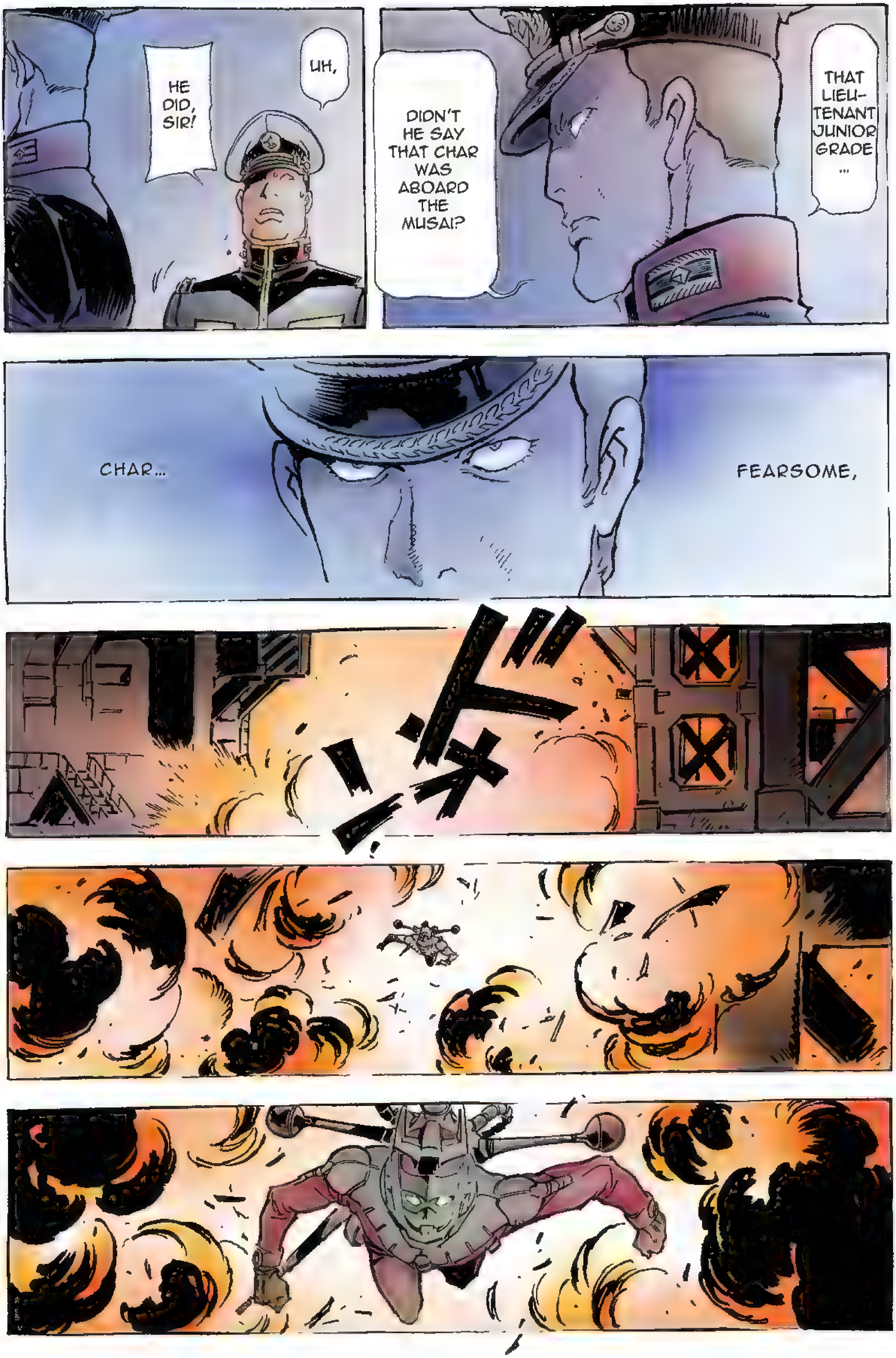



WHAT WAS THAT ?!
WHOA
HEY!!
WHAT HAPPENED ?!
A QUAKE ?
WHAT WAS THAT JUST NOW ?!
Gah !
DAMMIT !
OPEN THE DOOR !
WHAT THE...
OPENNNN

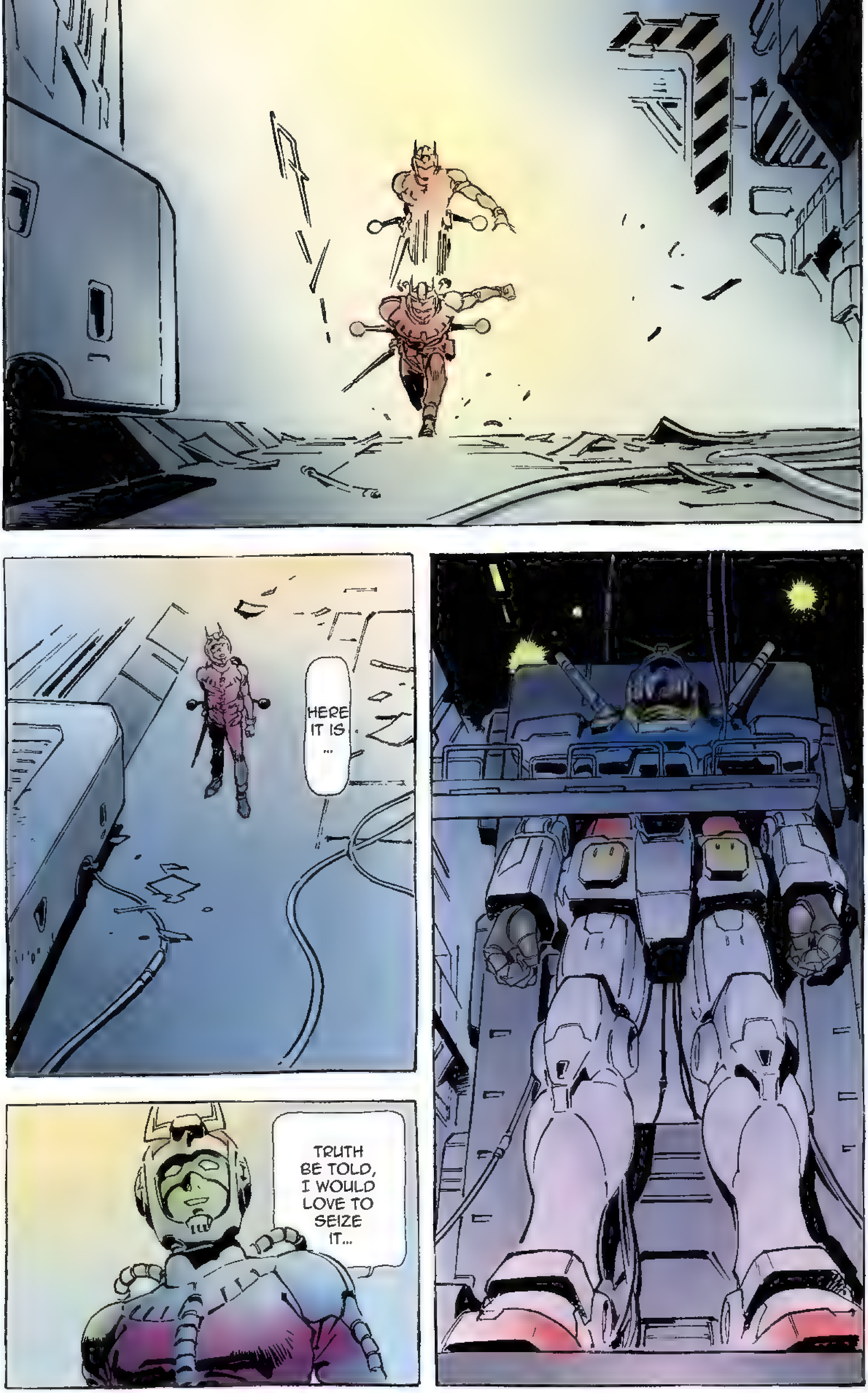

ACK !
NOW'S OUR CHANCE !
THE ELECTRO-MAGNETIC LOCKS MUST'VE FAILED DUE TO A POWER OUTAGE ...
LIEUTENANT BRIGHT! OUR DOORS OPENED TOO!
Uh-huh ...
Are you all right, sir?
IT'S ZEON !!
ZEON'S HERE!!
AAGH!


GATE-C7
A ZEON SPEC-OPS UNIT HAS SNUCK INTO BASE!
THE MAGELLAN IS JAMMED AT THE MAIN GATE!
...

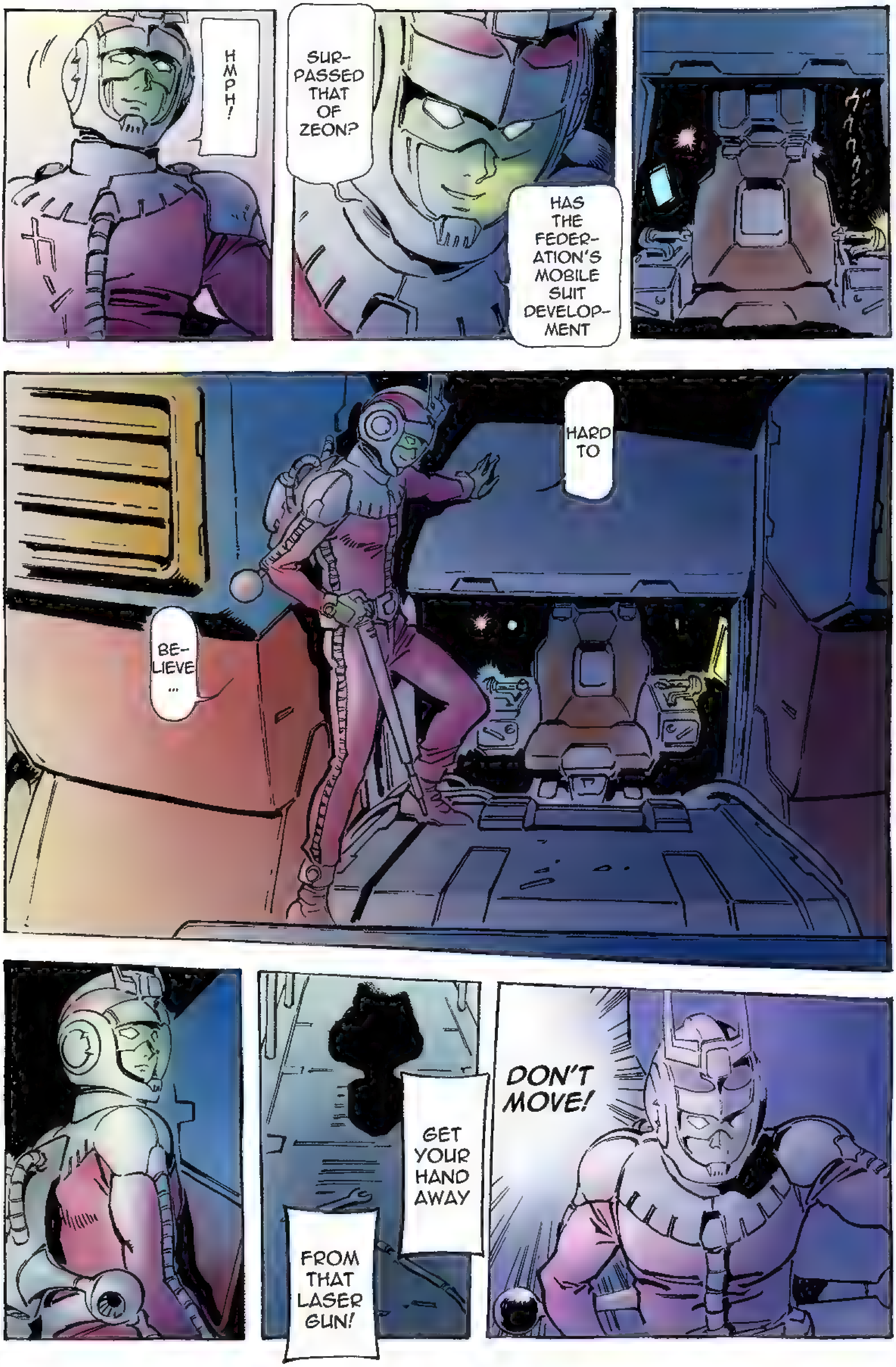

THAT LIEU-TENANT JUNIOR GRADE ...
DIDN'T HE SAY THAT CHAR WAS ABOARD THE MUSAI?
UH,
HE DID, SIR!
FEARSOME,
CHAR...

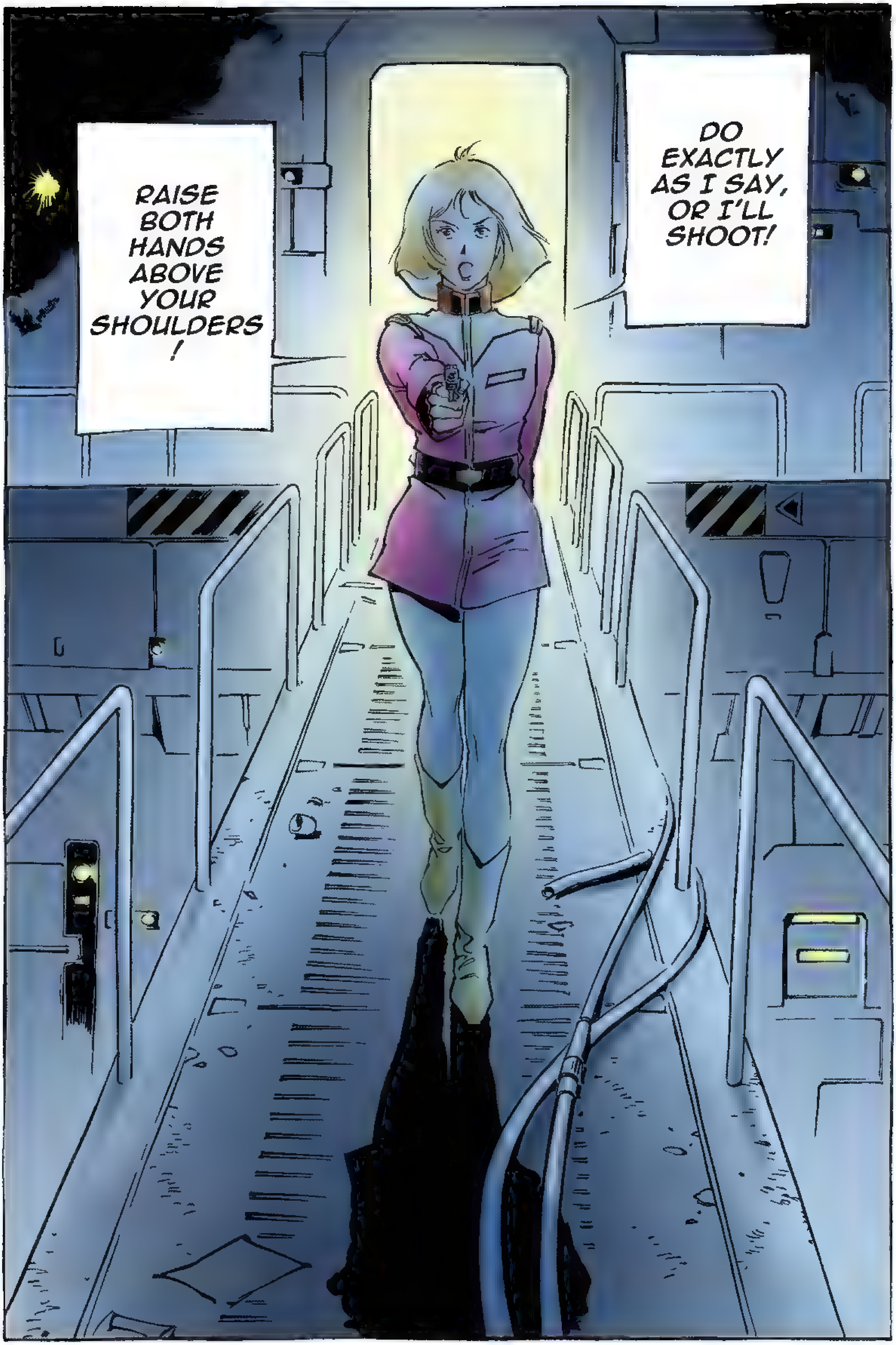


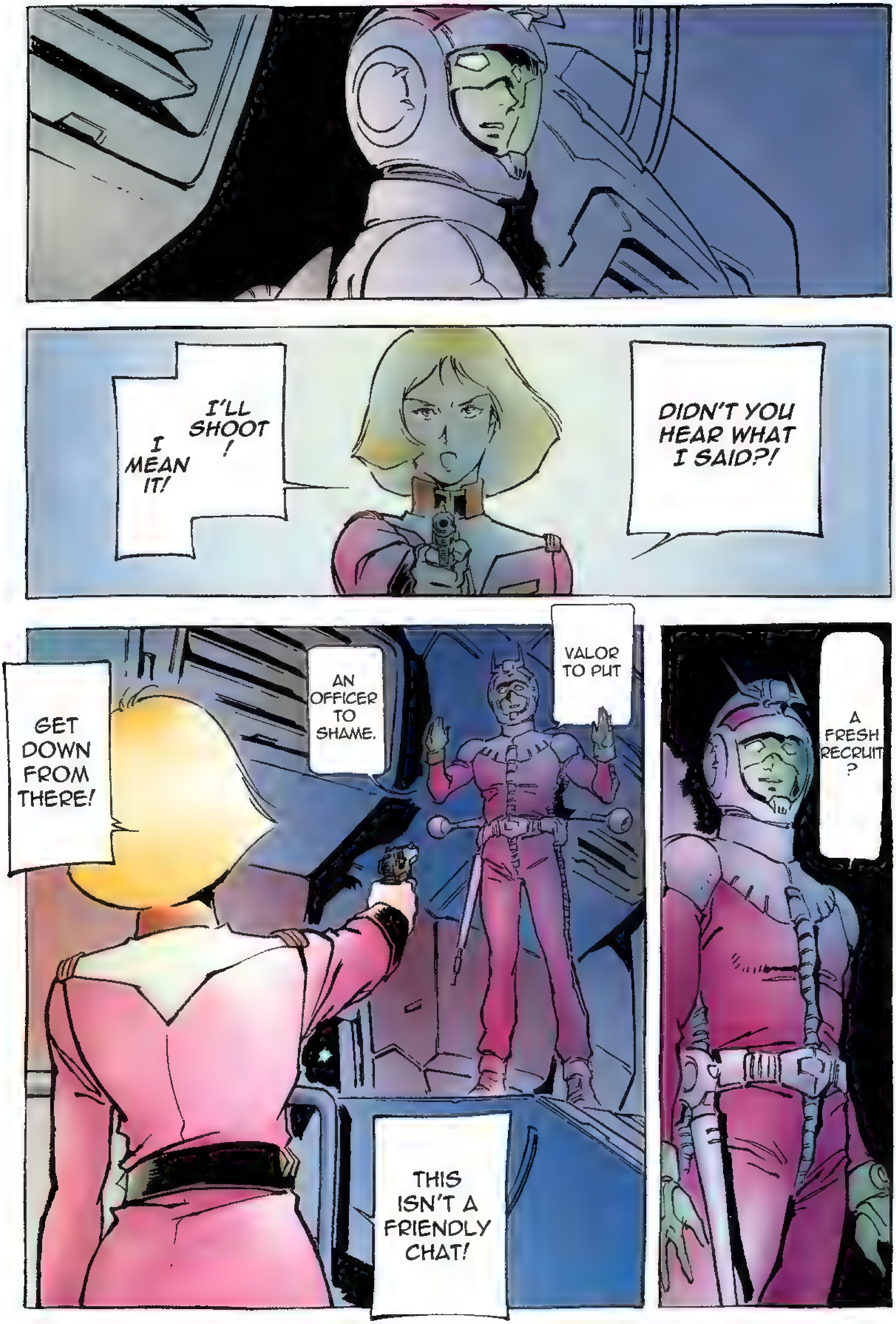

MAKE WAY!
MAKE WAY!
ALL HANDS, OUTSIDE!
FORGET ABOUT SHIP SECURITY!
AMURO!
AH
WAAIT!
AMURO!


HERE IT IS ...
TRUTH BE TOLD, I WOULD LOVE TO SEIZE IT...

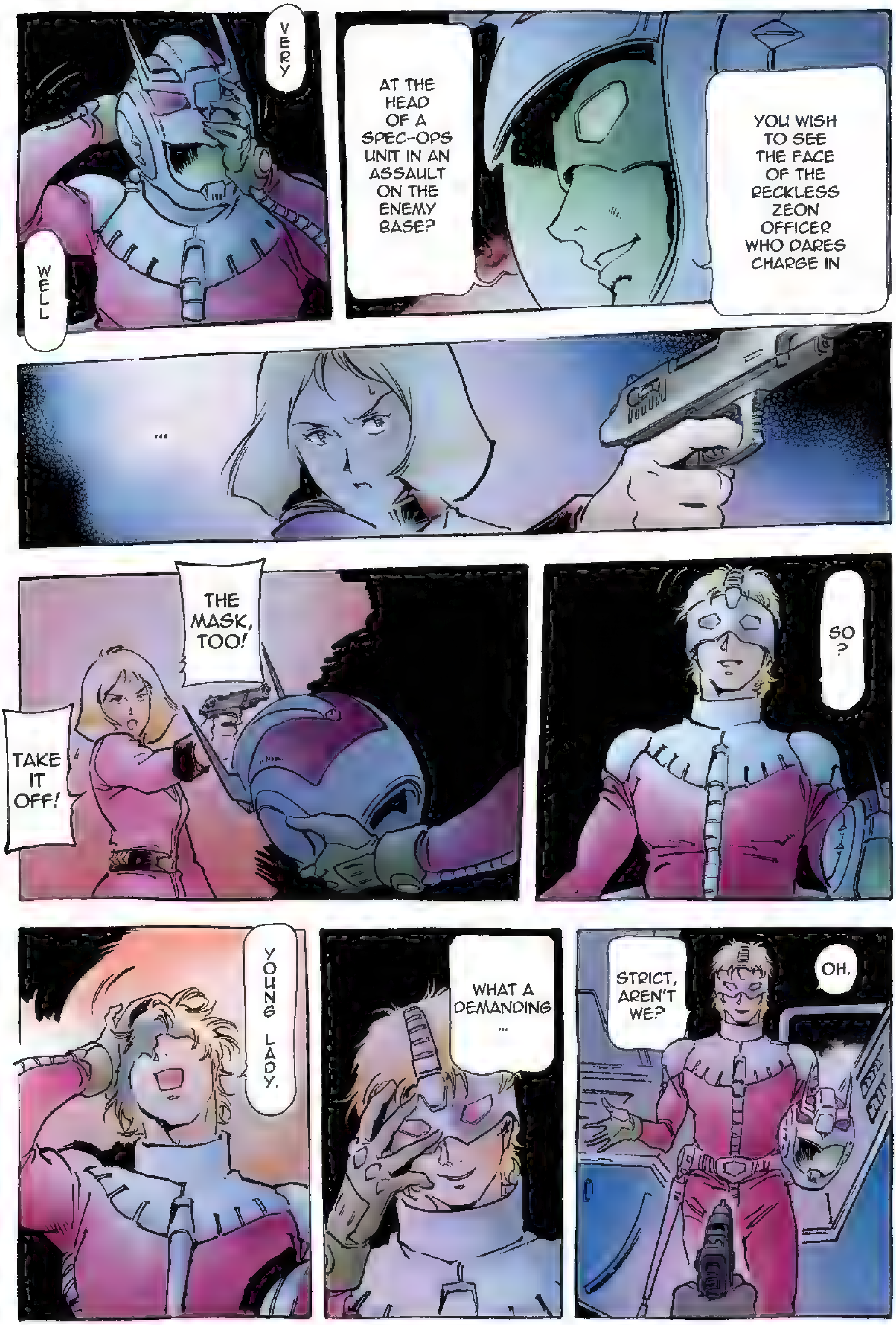

BUT I SUPPOSE
I'LL HAVE TO SETTLE FOR THE DATA.


HMPH!
HAS THE FEDERATION'S MOBILE SUIT DEVELOPMENT
SURPASSED THAT OF ZEON?
HARD TO
BE-LIEVE ...
DON'T MOVE!
GET YOUR HAND AWAY
FROM THAT LASER GUN!

RAISE BOTH HANDS ABOVE YOUR SHOULDERS!
DO EXACTLY AS I SAY, OR I'LL SHOOT!


I'LL SHOOT! I MEAN IT!
DIDN'T YOU HEAR WHAT I SAID?!
GET DOWN FROM THERE!
VALOR TO PUT
AN OFFICER TO SHAME.
THIS ISN'T A FRIENDLY CHAT!
A FRESH RECRUIT?

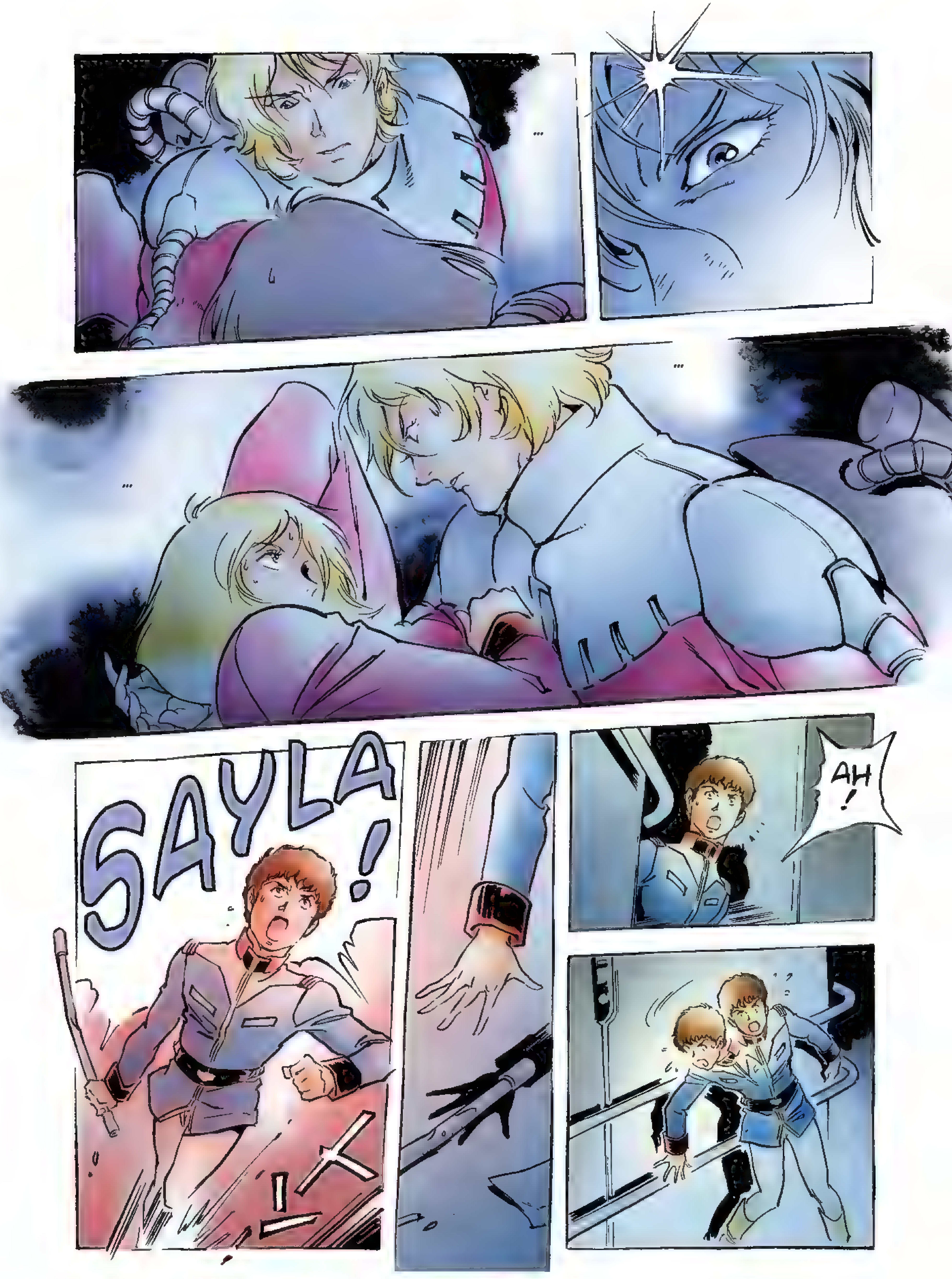

THE FEDER-ATION HAS A GLIMMER
OF HOPE.
YOU HAVE A LOT OF SPIRIT.
WITH TROOPS LIKE YOU AMONG ITS RANKS,
DON'T YOU DARE COME ANY CLOSER!
STOP RIGHT THERE!
REMOVE YOUR HELMET!

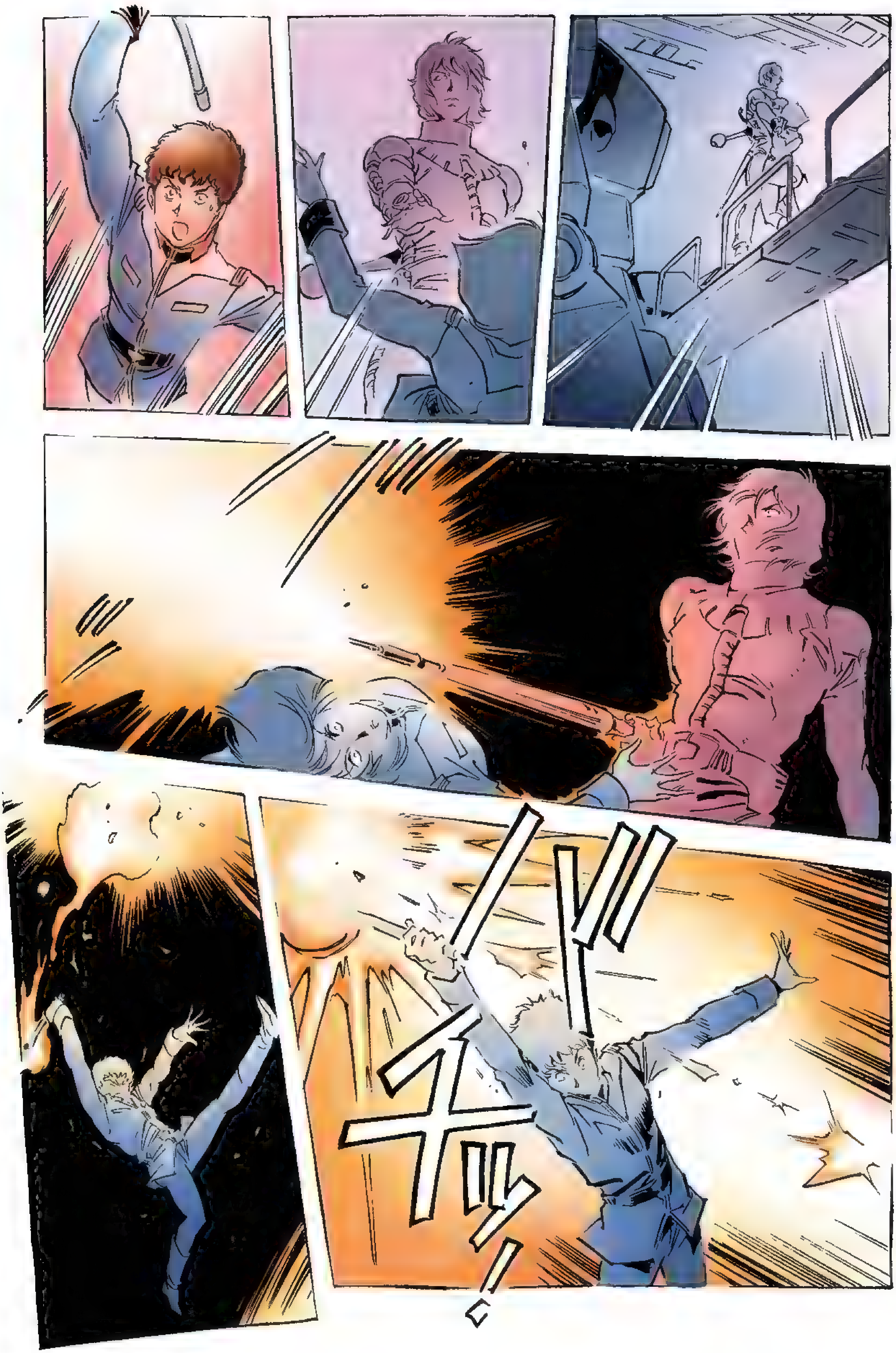

YOU WISH TO SEE THE FACE OF THE RECKLESS ZEON OFFICER WHO DARES CHARGE IN
AT THE HEAD OF A SPEC-OPS UNIT IN AN ASSAULT ON THE ENEMY BASE?
VERY
WELL
...
SO?
THE MASK, TOO!
TAKE IT OFF!
OH.
STRICT, AREN'T WE?
WHAT A DEMANDING ...
YOUNG LADY.



AH !

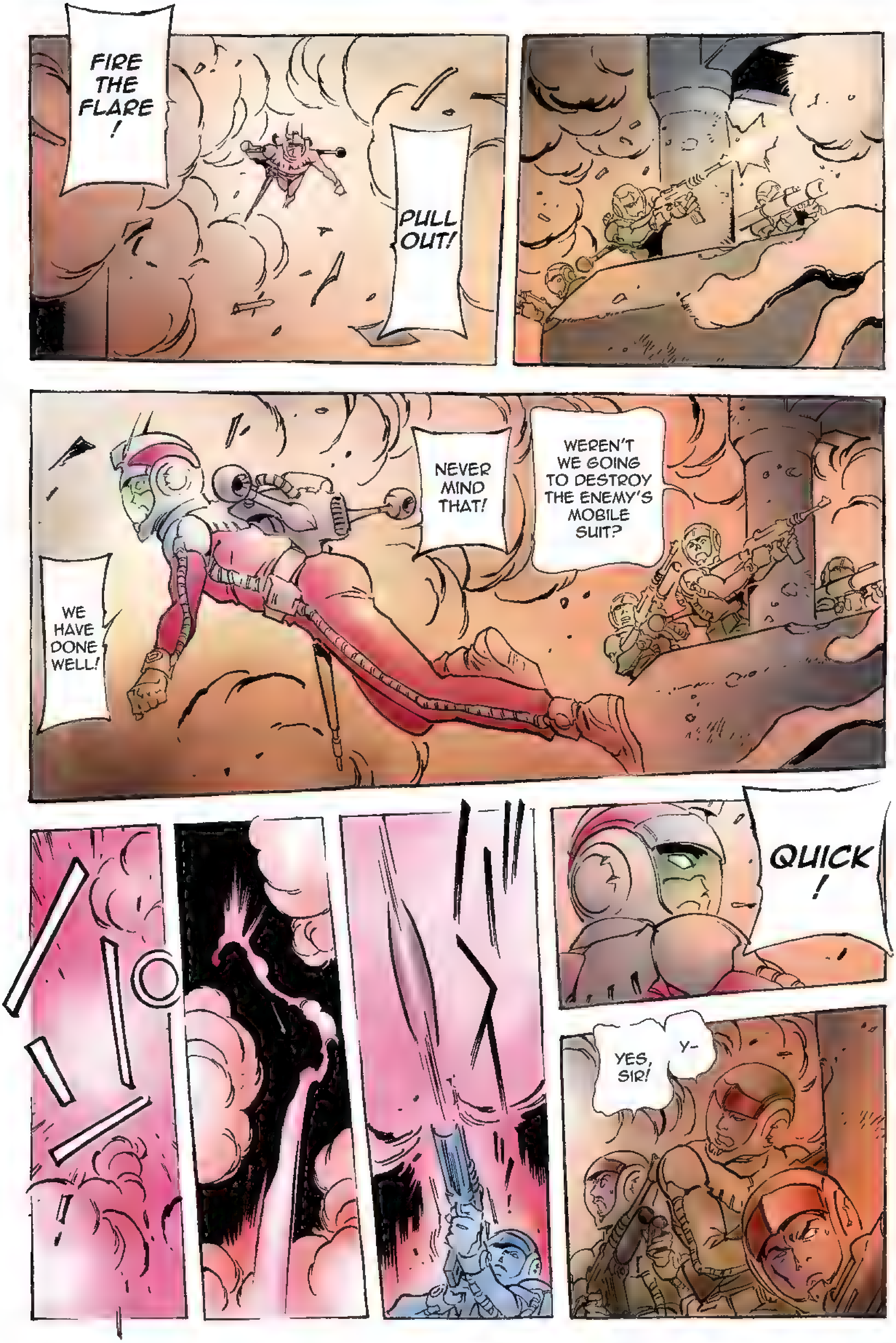



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SAYLA!
AH!


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AMURO, WATCH OUT!
STAY BACK!
Tsk!
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ANOTHER KID...

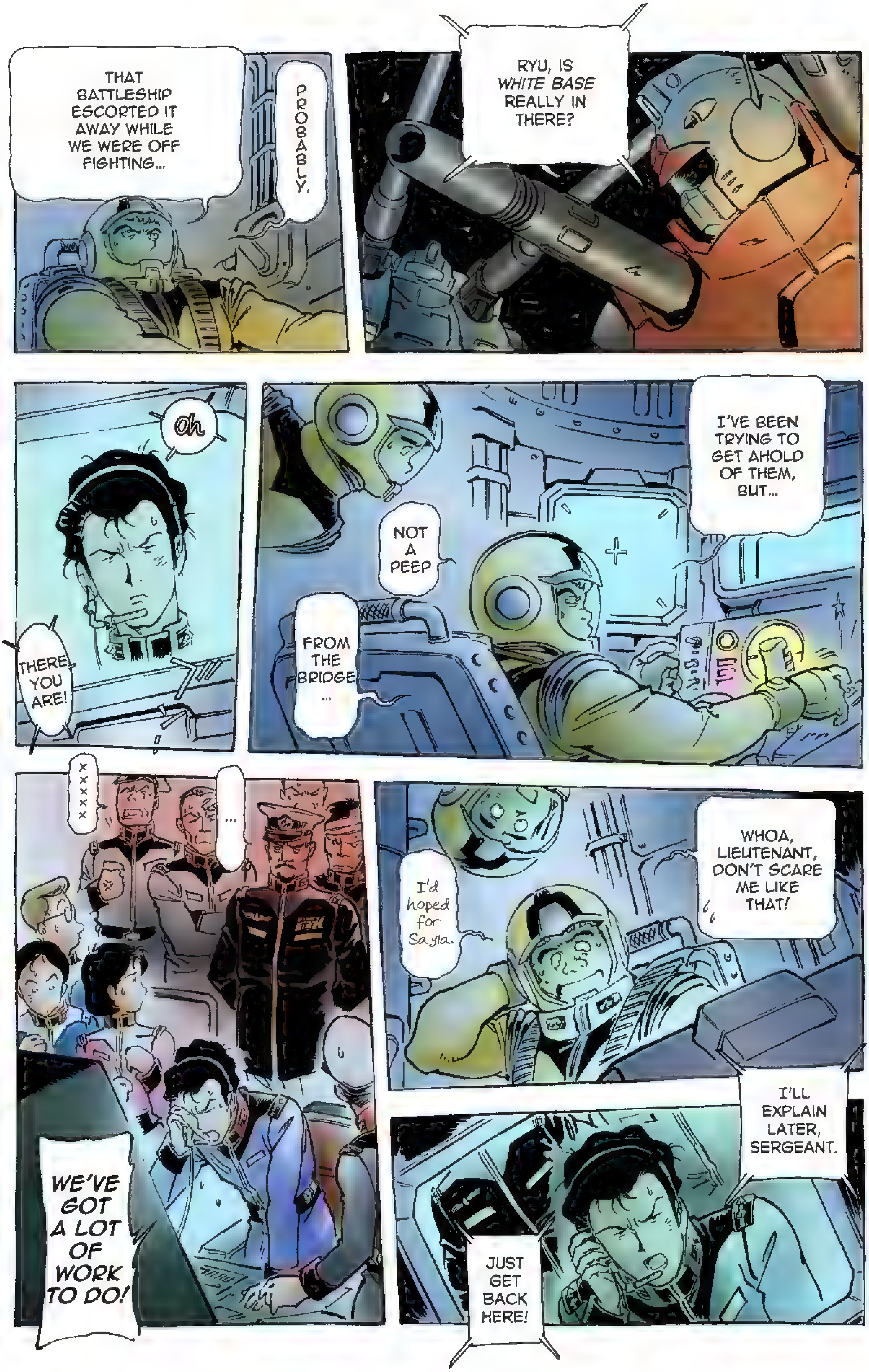

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FIRE THE FLARE!
PULL OUT!
WE HAVE DONE WELL!
NEVER MIND THAT!
WEREN'T WE GOING TO DESTROY THE ENEMY'S MOBILE SUIT?
QUICK!
Y-
YES, SIR!



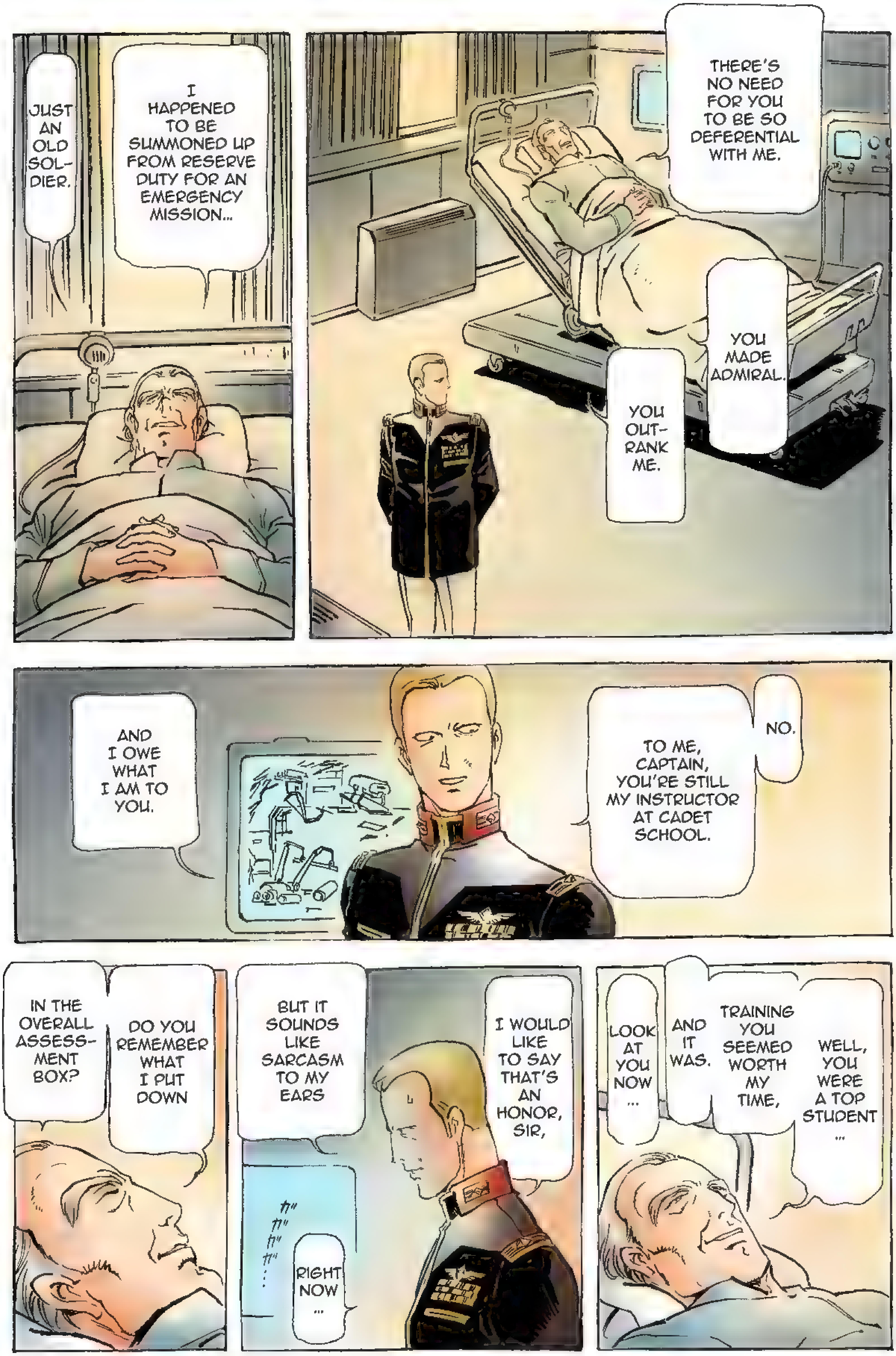


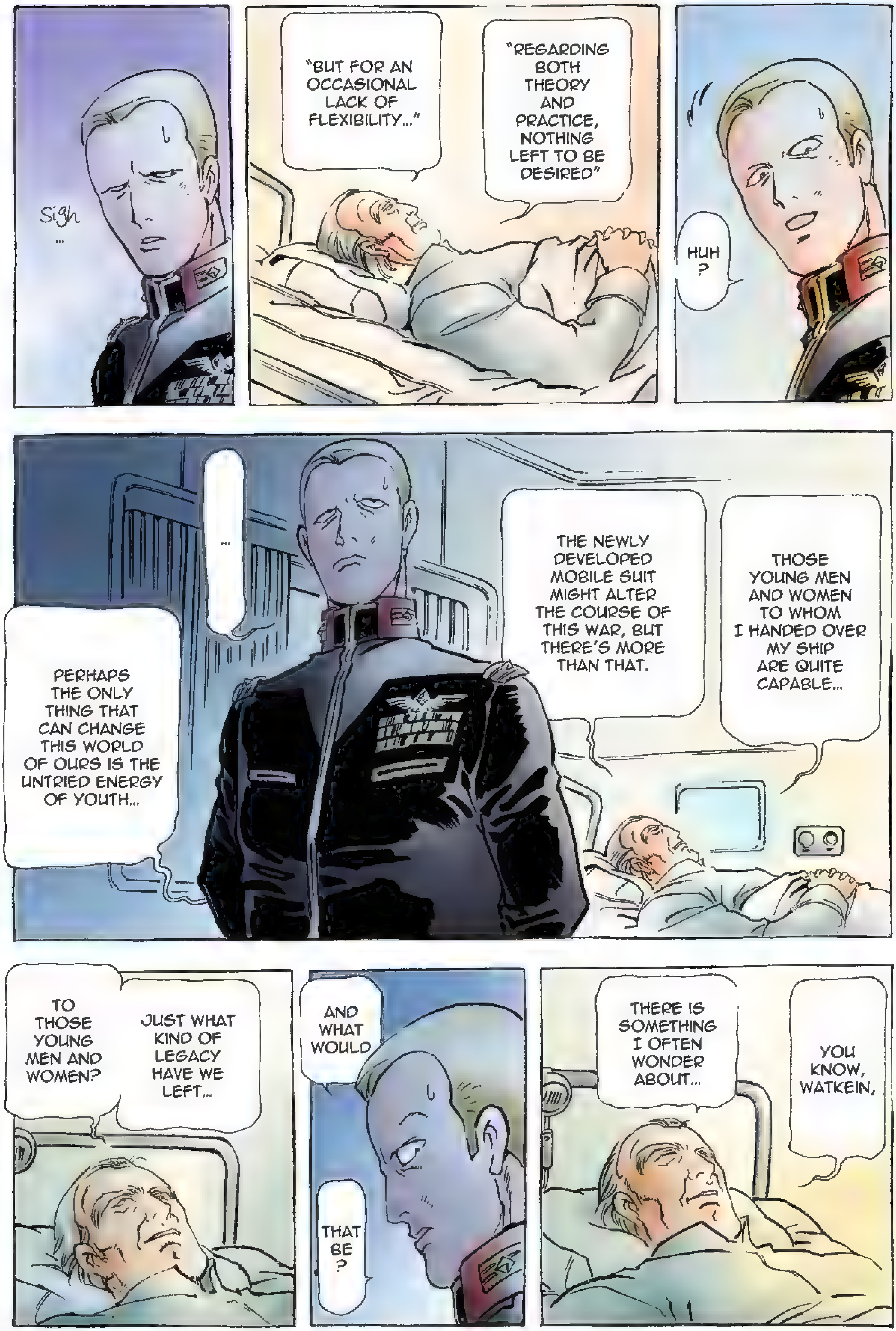

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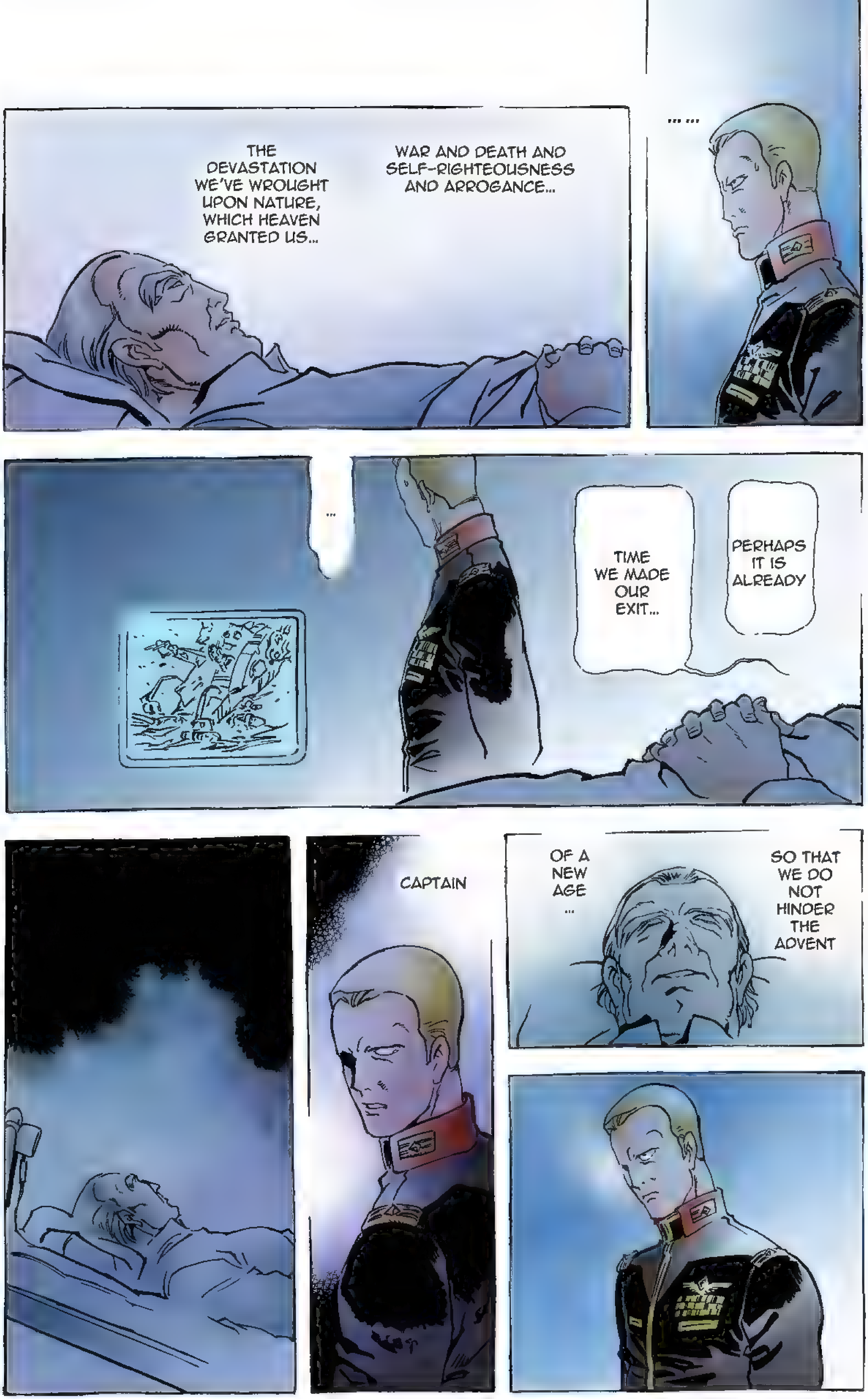



THAT BATTLESHIP ESCORTED IT AWAY WHILE WE WERE OFF FIGHTING...
PROBABLY.
RYU, IS *WHITE BASE* REALLY IN THERE?
oh
THERE YOU ARE!
I'VE BEEN TRYING TO GET AHOLD OF THEM, BUT...
NOT A PEEP
FROM THE BRIDGE ...
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...
WHOA, LIEUTENANT, DON'T SCARE ME LIKE THAT!
I'd hoped for Sayla.
I'LL EXPLAIN LATER, SERGEANT.
WE'VE GOT A LOT OF WORK TO DO!
JUST GET BACK HERE!


Rip
creak
creak
Dum Dum ~
I'M SORRY ABOUT THIS, SIR.
WHITE BASE SHOULD BE ABLE TO DEPART SOON.
Rip
Rip
DUM DUM
WE'RE GETTING THE MAGELLAN OUT OF THE WAY AND REPAIRING THE MAIN GATE, AS FAST AS WE CAN.
SIR?
WHAT IS IT, CAPTAIN PAOLO?
COM-MANDER WATKEIN.


THERE'S NO NEED FOR YOU TO BE SO DEFERENTIAL WITH ME.
YOU MADE ADMIRAL.
YOU OUT-RANK ME.
I HAPPENED TO BE SUMMONED UP FROM RESERVE DUTY FOR AN EMERGENCY MISSION...
JUST AN OLD SOL-DIER.
NO.
TO ME, CAPTAIN, YOU'RE STILL MY INSTRUCTOR AT CADET SCHOOL.
AND I OWE WHAT I AM TO YOU.
WELL, YOU WERE A TOP STUDENT ...
TRAINING YOU SEEMED WORTH MY TIME,
AND IT WAS.
LOOK AT YOU NOW ...
I WOULD LIKE TO SAY THAT'S AN HONOR, SIR,
BUT IT SOUNDS LIKE SARCASM TO MY EARS
RIGHT NOW ...
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DO YOU REMEMBER WHAT I PUT DOWN
IN THE OVERALL ASSESS-MENT BOX?

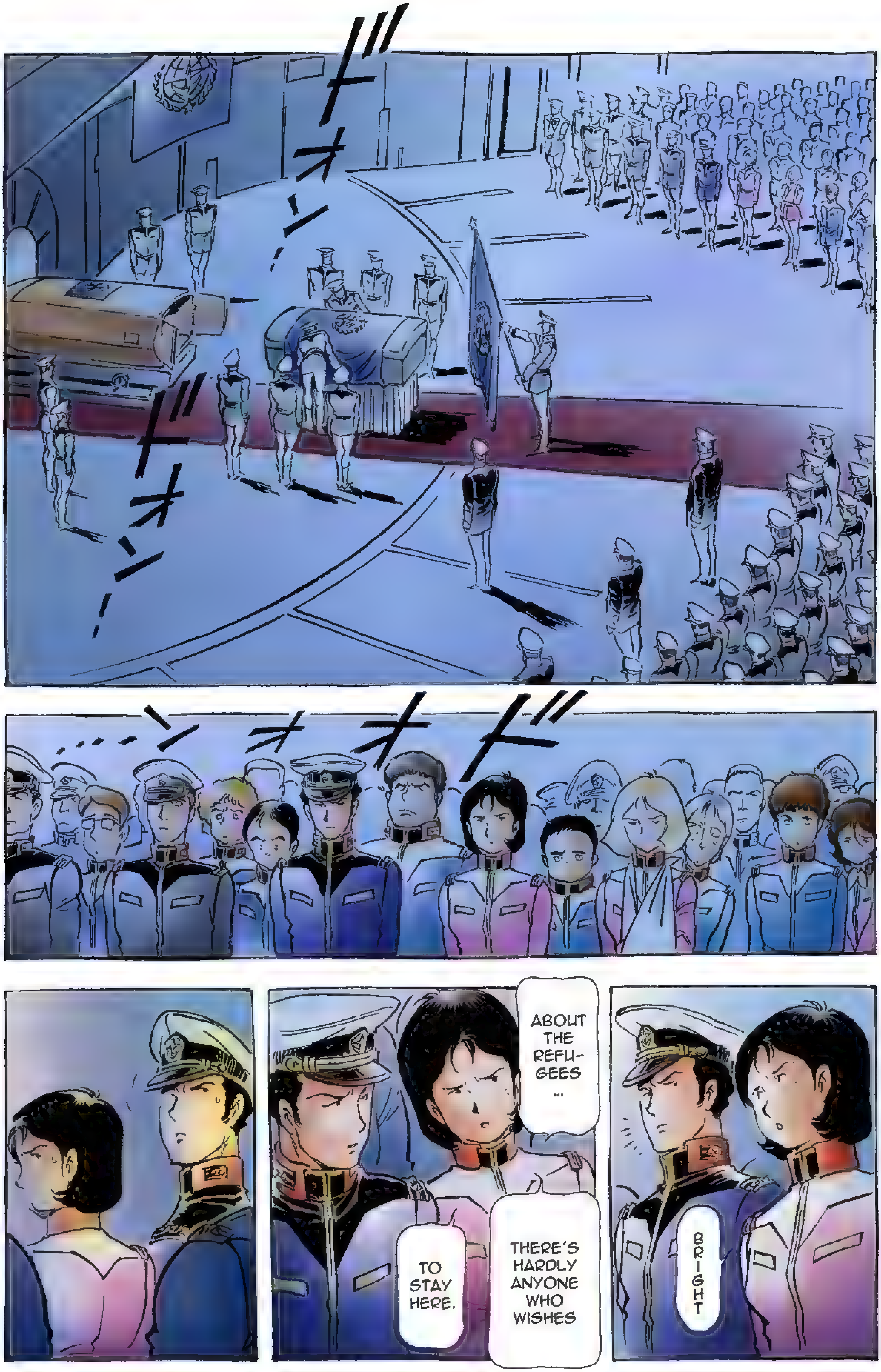

Sigh
...
"BUT FOR AN OCCASIONAL LACK OF FLEXIBILITY..."
"REGARDING BOTH THEORY AND PRACTICE, NOTHING LEFT TO BE DESIRED"
HUH?
...
THE NEWLY DEVELOPED MOBILE SUIT MIGHT ALTER THE COURSE OF THIS WAR, BUT THERE'S MORE THAN THAT.
THOSE YOUNG MEN AND WOMEN TO WHOM I HANDED OVER MY SHIP ARE QUITE CAPABLE...
PERHAPS THE ONLY THING THAT CAN CHANGE THIS WORLD OF OURS IS THE UNTRIED ENERGY OF YOUTH...
JUST WHAT KIND OF LEGACY HAVE WE LEFT...
TO THOSE YOUNG MEN AND WOMEN?
AND WHAT WOULD
THAT BE?
YOU KNOW, WATKEIN,
THERE IS SOMETHING I OFTEN WONDER ABOUT...

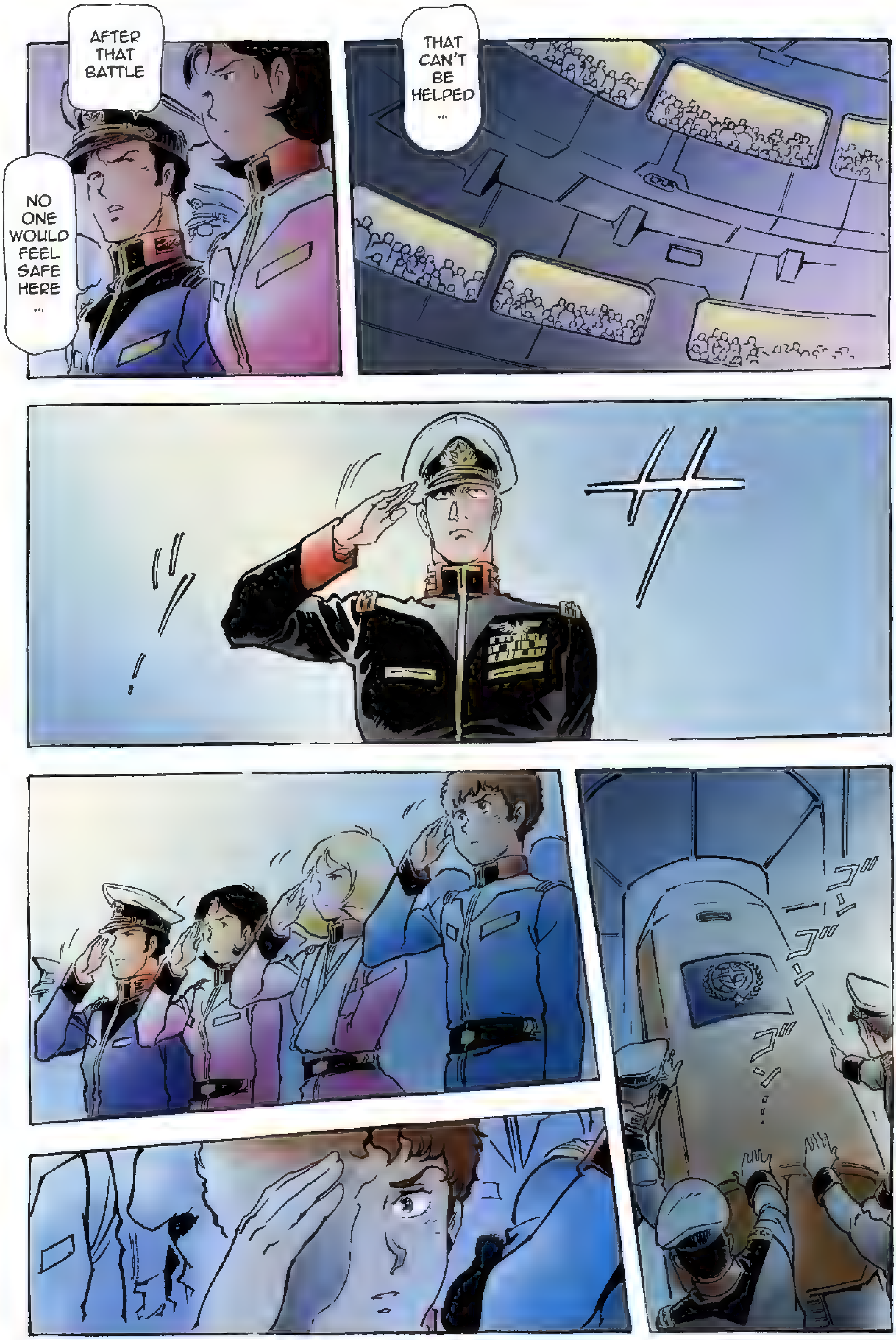

THE DEVASTATION WE'VE WROUGHT UPON NATURE, WHICH HEAVEN GRANTED US...
WAR AND DEATH AND SELF-RIGHTEOUSNESS AND ARROGANCE...
... ...
...
PERHAPS IT IS ALREADY
TIME WE MADE OUR EXIT...
CAPTAIN
SO THAT WE DO NOT HINDER THE ADVENT
OF A NEW AGE
...


HURRY!
JUST GET IT OUT OF THE GATE!
CAPTAIN,
THE BRIDGE IS WEDGED IN THERE PRETTY BADLY...
THEN CUT IT OFF!
I DON'T CARE!


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SO, GUNTANKS COME IN HANDY FOR THIS STUFF TOO, RYU!
I HAD NO IDEA!
ARE YOU FOR REAL?
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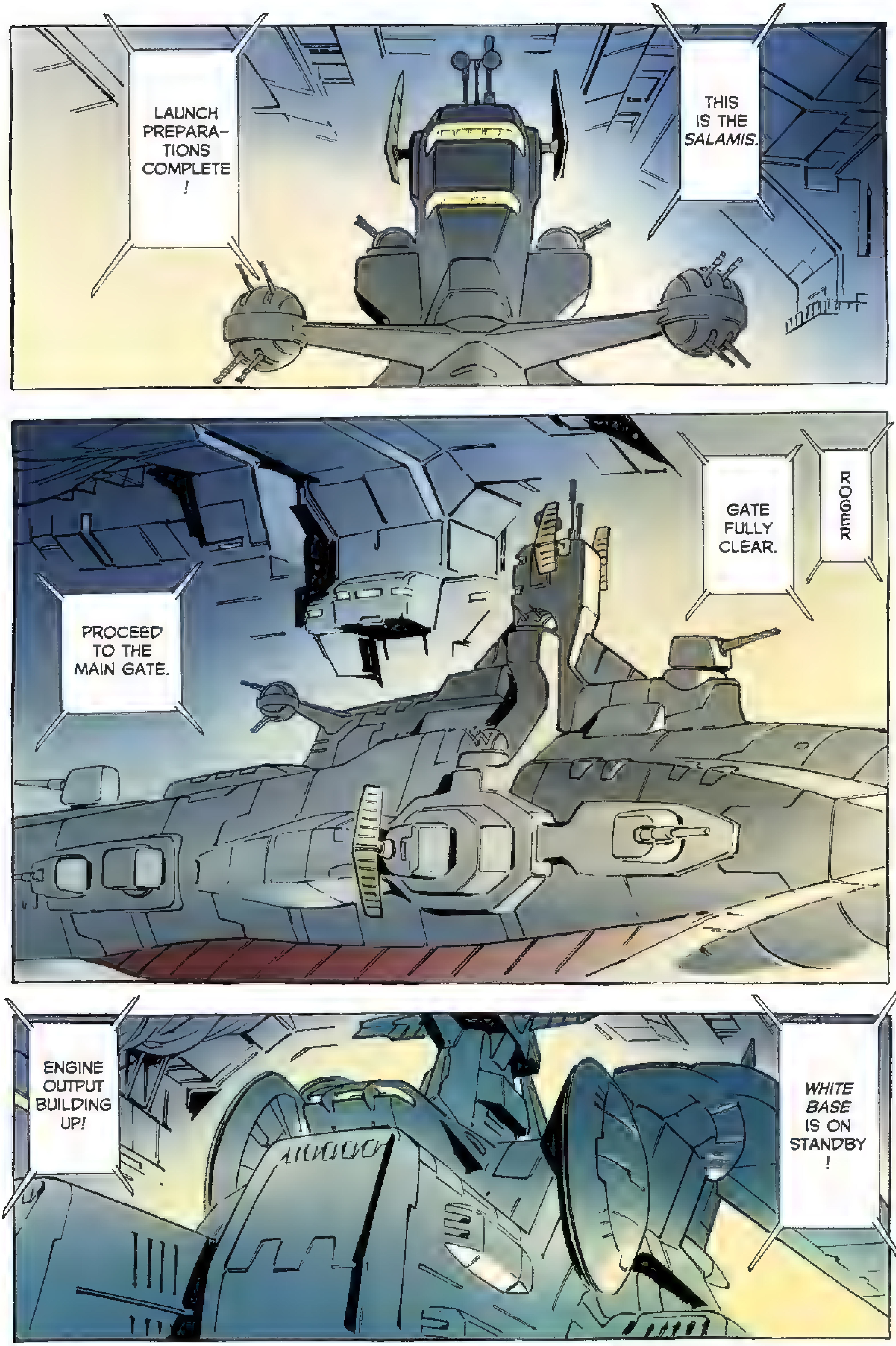

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BRIGHT
ABOUT THE REFUGEES...
THERE'S HARDLY ANYONE WHO WISHES
TO STAY HERE.


AFTER THAT BATTLE
NO ONE WOULD FEEL SAFE HERE ...
THAT CAN'T BE HELPED ...

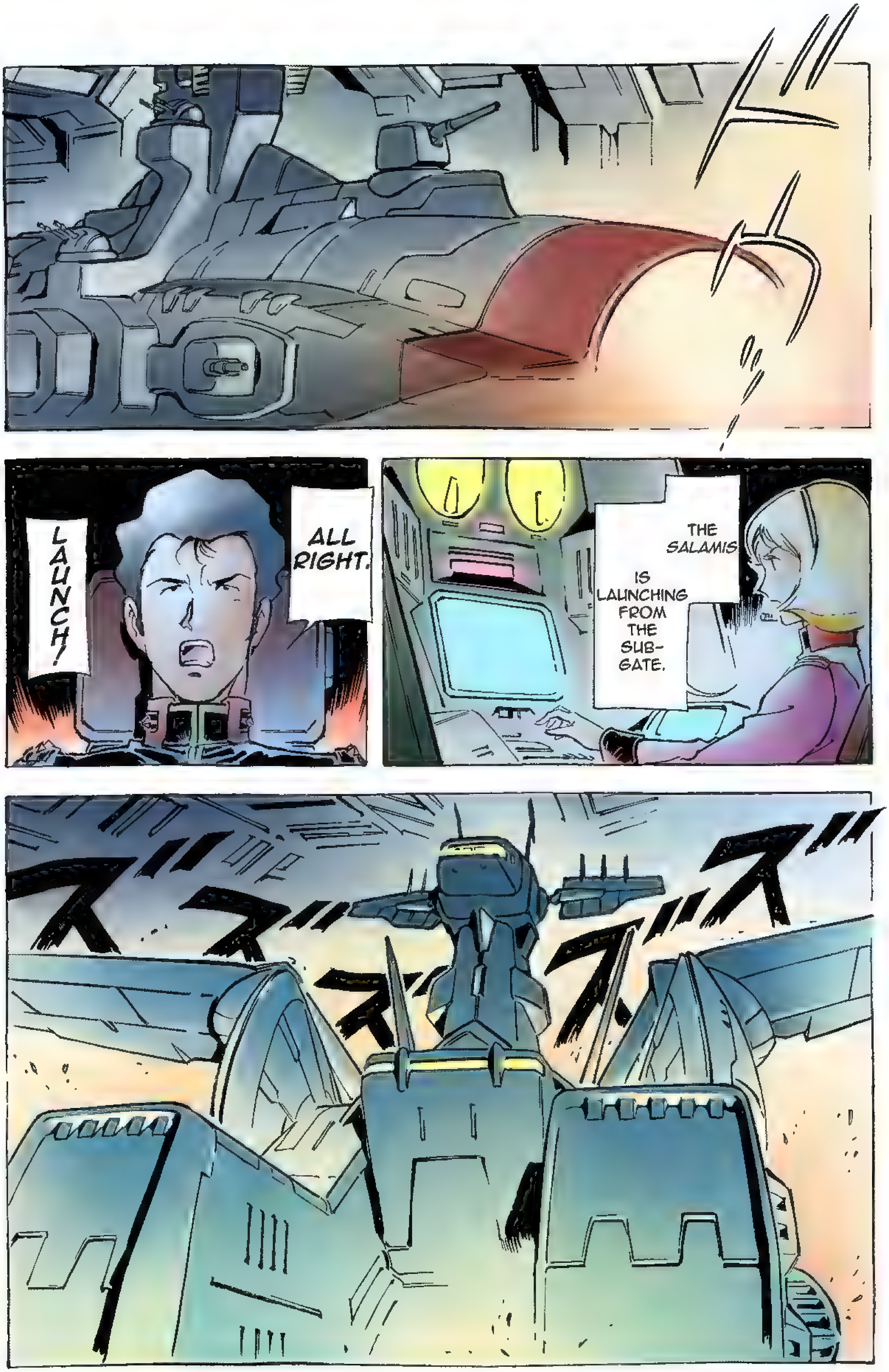

THAT MAN
.....
WAS CHAR ...?


Ah...

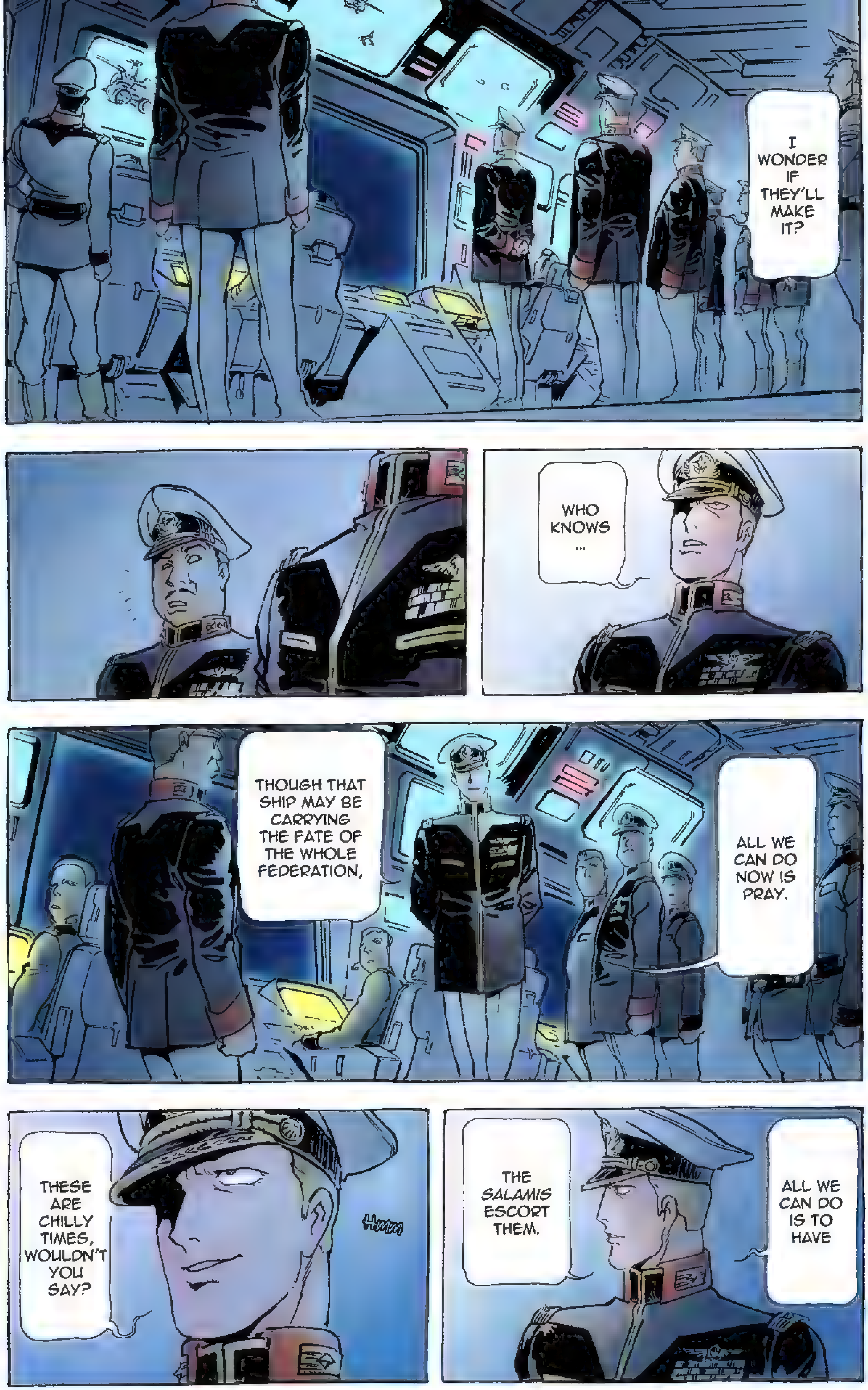
SECTION VIII


LAUNCH PREPARATIONS COMPLETE!
THIS IS THE SALAMIS.
ROGER
GATE FULLY CLEAR.
PROCEED TO THE MAIN GATE.
WHITE BASE IS ON STANDBY!
ENGINE OUTPUT BUILDING UP!

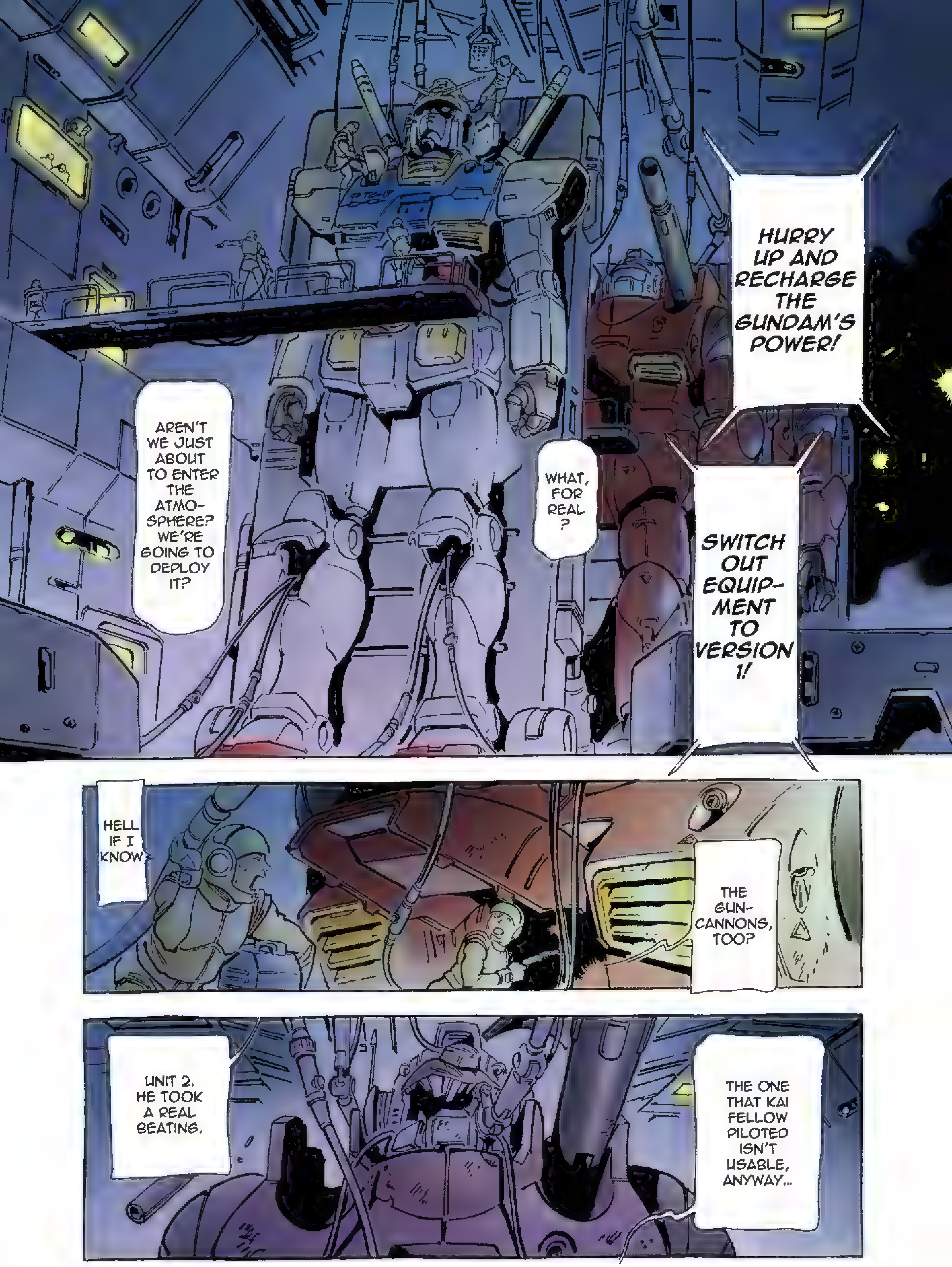

IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE DIRECTIVE FROM FEDERATION HQ,
WE WILL NOW PROCEED TO JABURO!
ROGER!
WITH ALL OUR SOUL.
WE PRAY FOR YOUR SUCCESS AND SAFE ARRIVAL IN JABURO


ALL RIGHT.
LAUNCH!
THE SALAMIS
IS LAUNCHING FROM THE SUB-GATE.




I WONDER IF THEY'LL MAKE IT?
WHO KNOWS ...
THOUGH THAT SHIP MAY BE CARRYING THE FATE OF THE WHOLE FEDERATION,
ALL WE CAN DO NOW IS PRAY.
THESE ARE CHILLY TIMES, WOULDN'T YOU SAY?
Hmm
ALL WE CAN DO IS TO HAVE
THE SALAMIS ESCORT THEM.



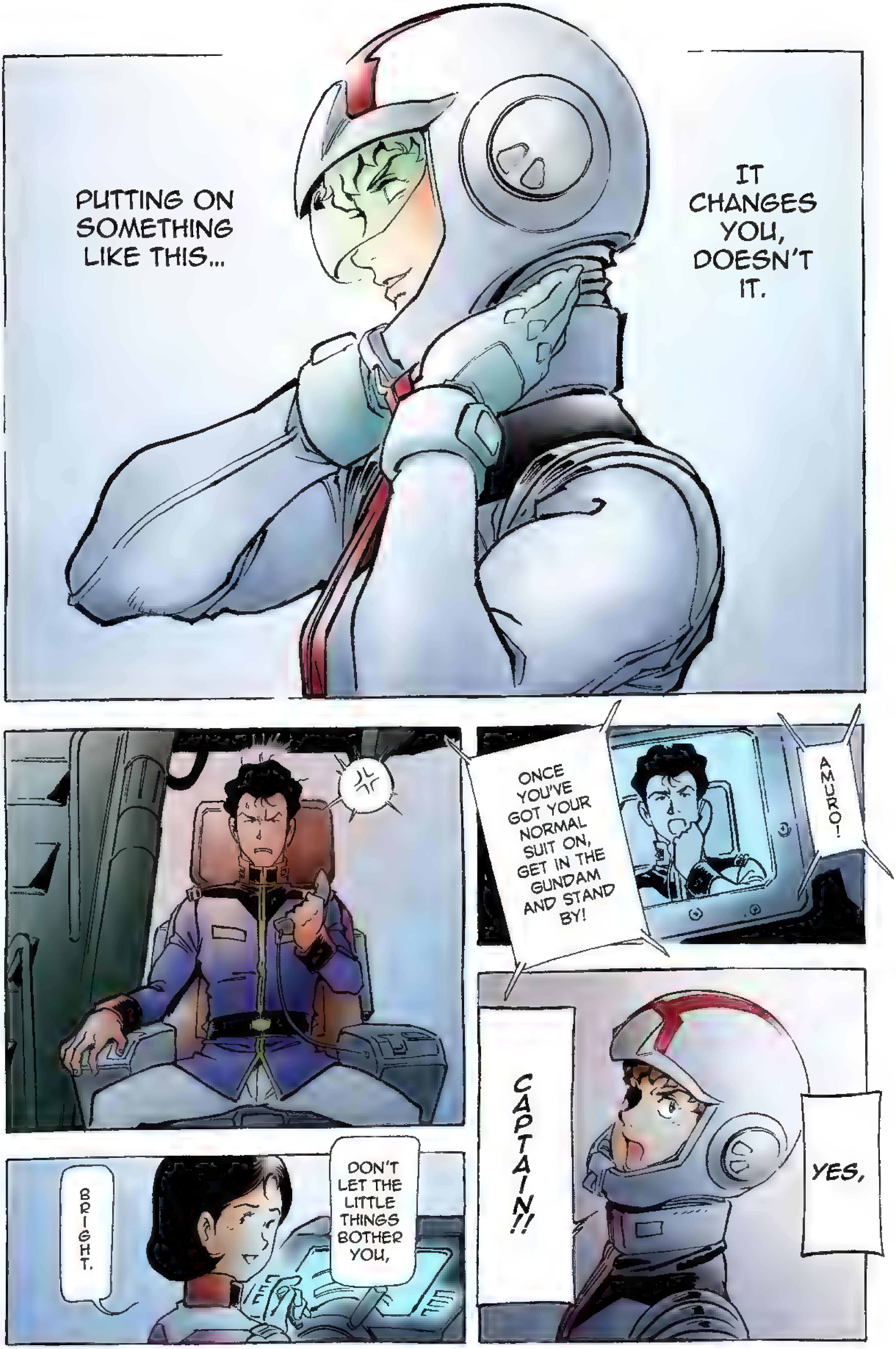


HURRY UP AND RECHARGE THE GUNDAM'S POWER!
SWITCH OUT EQUIPMENT TO VERSION 1!
WHAT, FOR REAL?
AREN'T WE JUST ABOUT TO ENTER THE ATMOSPHERE? WE'RE GOING TO DEPLOY IT?
THE GUNCANNONS, TOO?
HELL IF I KNOW
THE ONE THAT KAI FELLOW PILOTED ISN'T USABLE, ANYWAY...
UNIT 2. HE TOOK A REAL BEATING.


FITS JUST RIGHT, HUH.
HEY.
LOOKS PRETTY GOOD.
SILVER FOR THE NEW MODEL.
AND HERE'S THE HELMET.
SUPER AIR-TIGHT.
IT'S DOUBLE-LAYERED AT THE NECK.

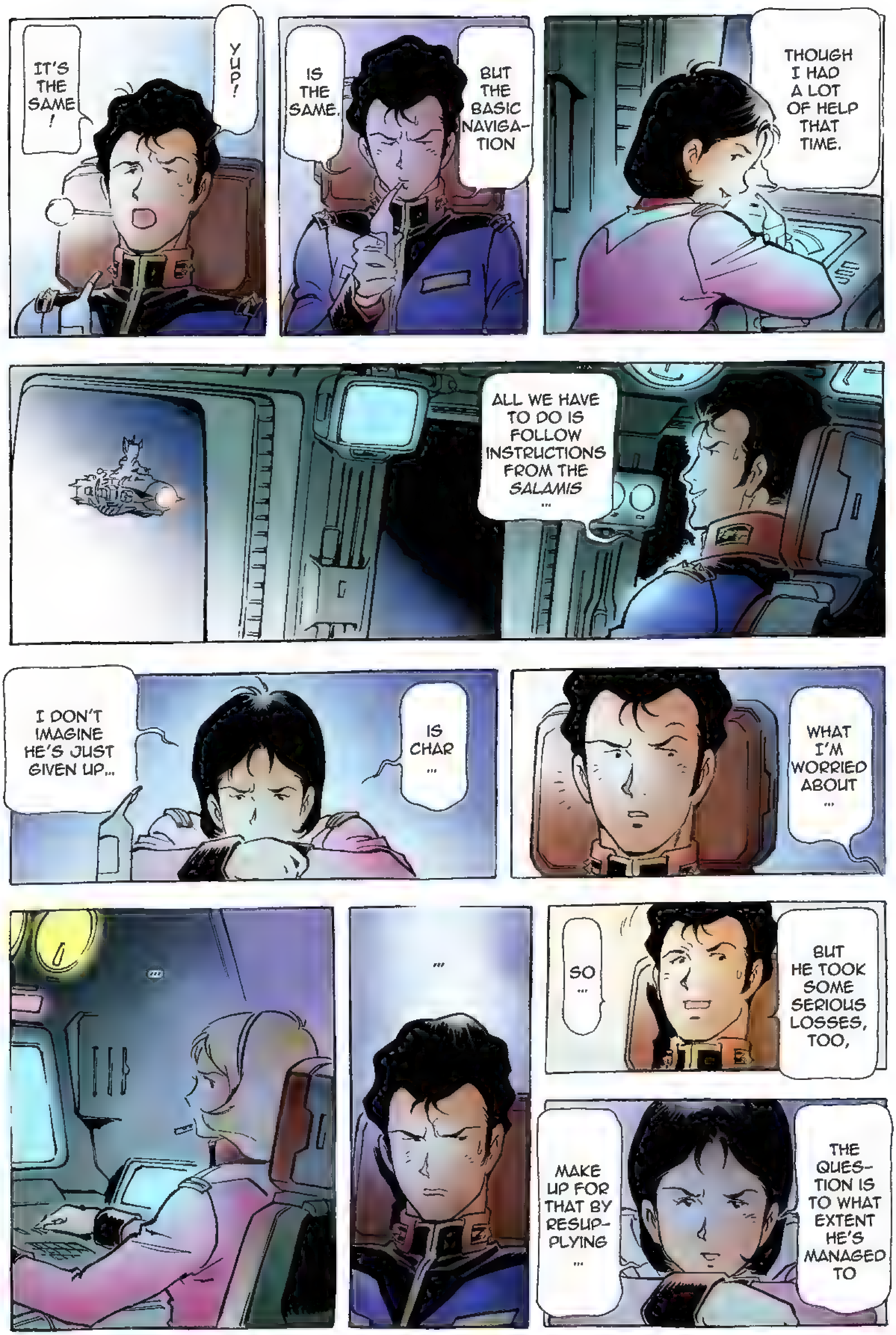


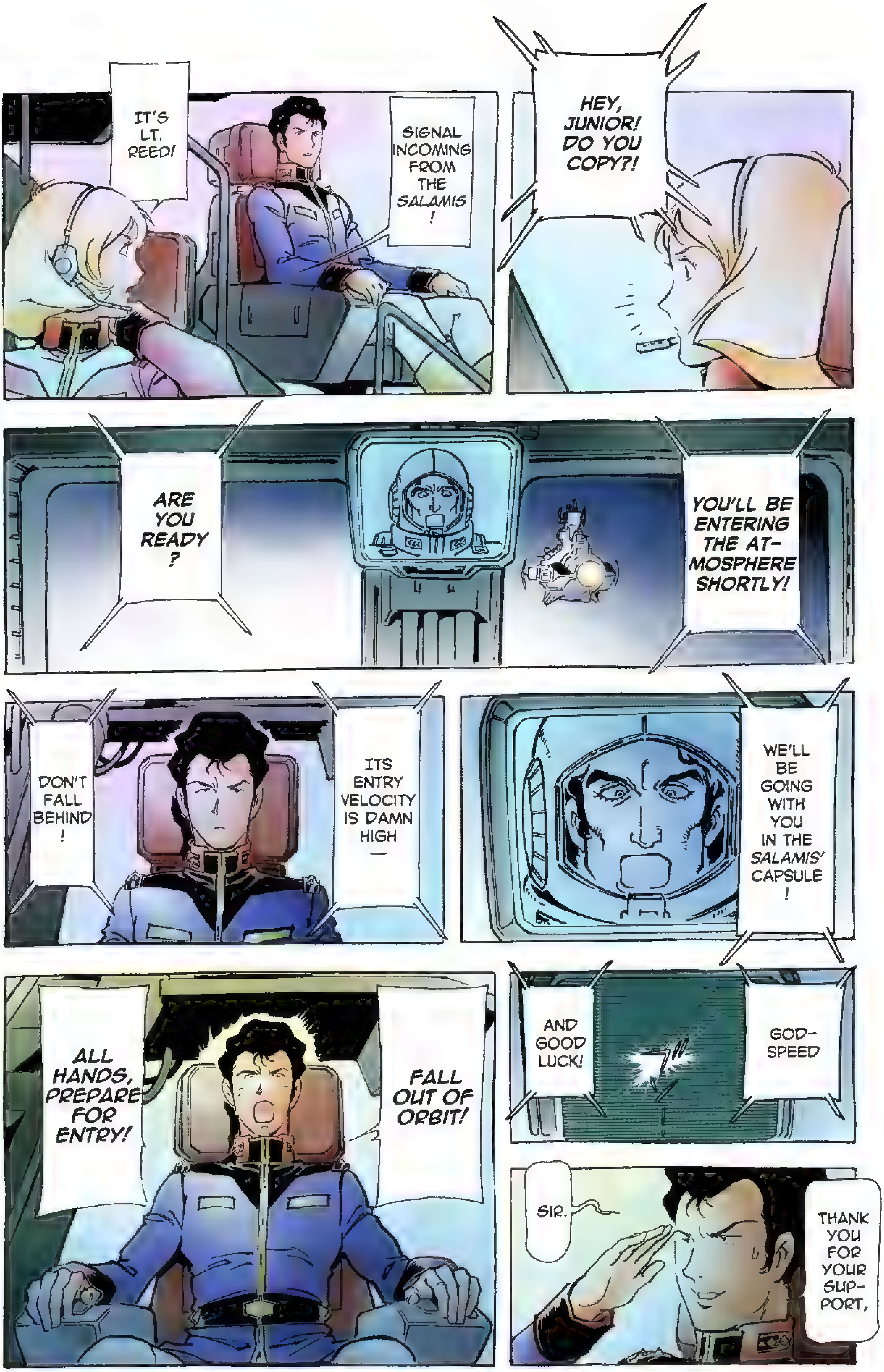
ON YOUR WAIST, THE OXYGEN GENERATORS.
COMPACT, RELIABLE.
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I FEEL
CHOKED ...
IT'S NOT THAT.
YOU'LL BE FINE,
ONCE YOU GET USED TO IT.
Ha Ha Ha!
I JUST THOUGHT
I'M BEING MADE TO WAR...
Hah?



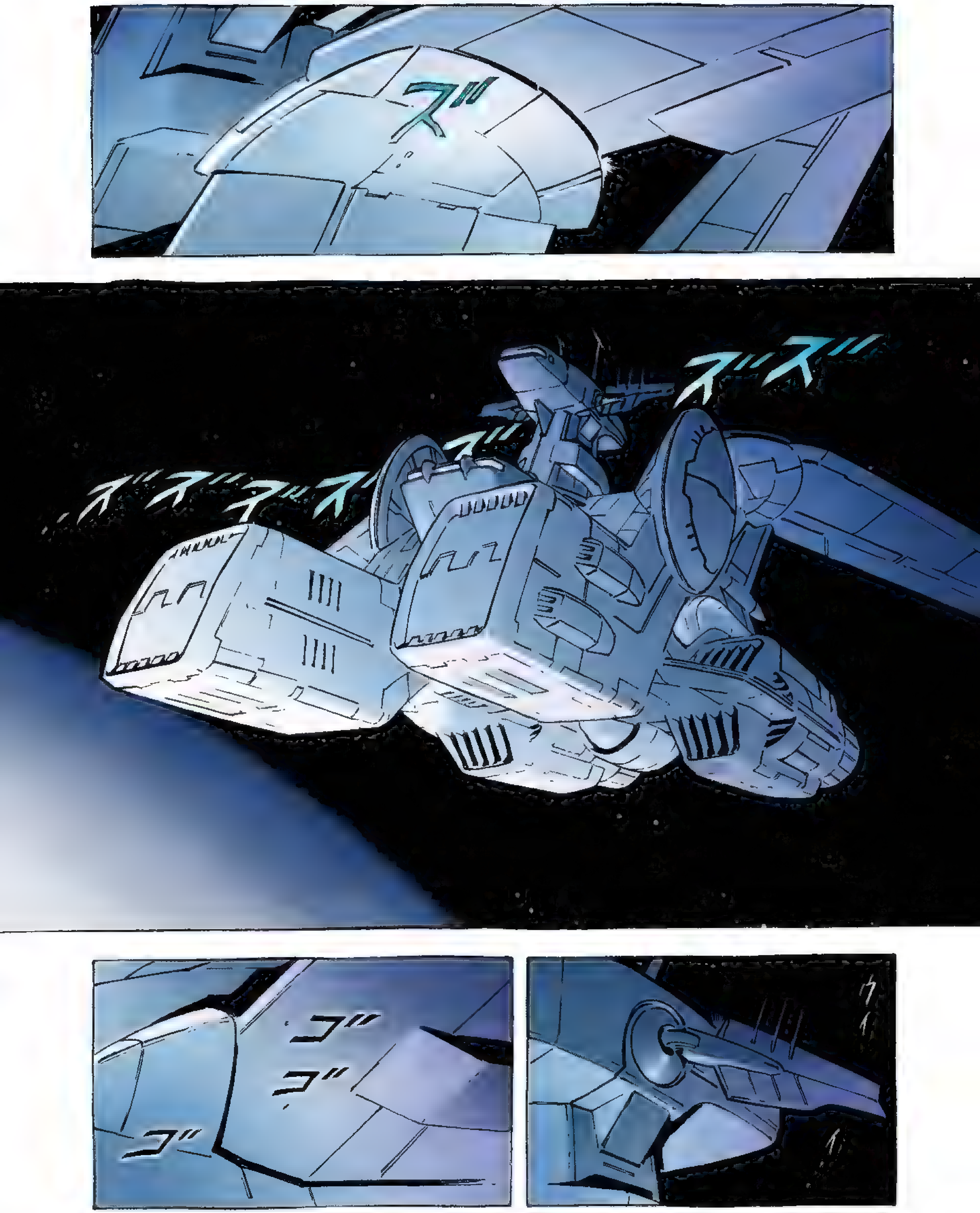
PUTTING ON SOMETHING LIKE THIS...
IT CHANGES YOU, DOESN'T IT.
AMURO!
ONCE YOU'VE GOT YOUR NORMAL SUIT ON, GET IN THE GUNDAM AND STAND BY!
YES,
CAPTAIN!!
DON'T LET THE LITTLE THINGS BOTHER YOU,
BRIGHT.

WANT ONE ?
BOTH-ERING ME...
IT'S NOT
HE MUST BE ON EDGE, TOO...
THANKS ...
SURE
Huh ?
25 MINUTES TO ATMO-SPHERIC ENTRY.
MY FATHER'S SPACE GLIDER ONCE...
I DID STEER DOWN
MI-RAI ?
THINK YOU CAN HAN-DLE IT,

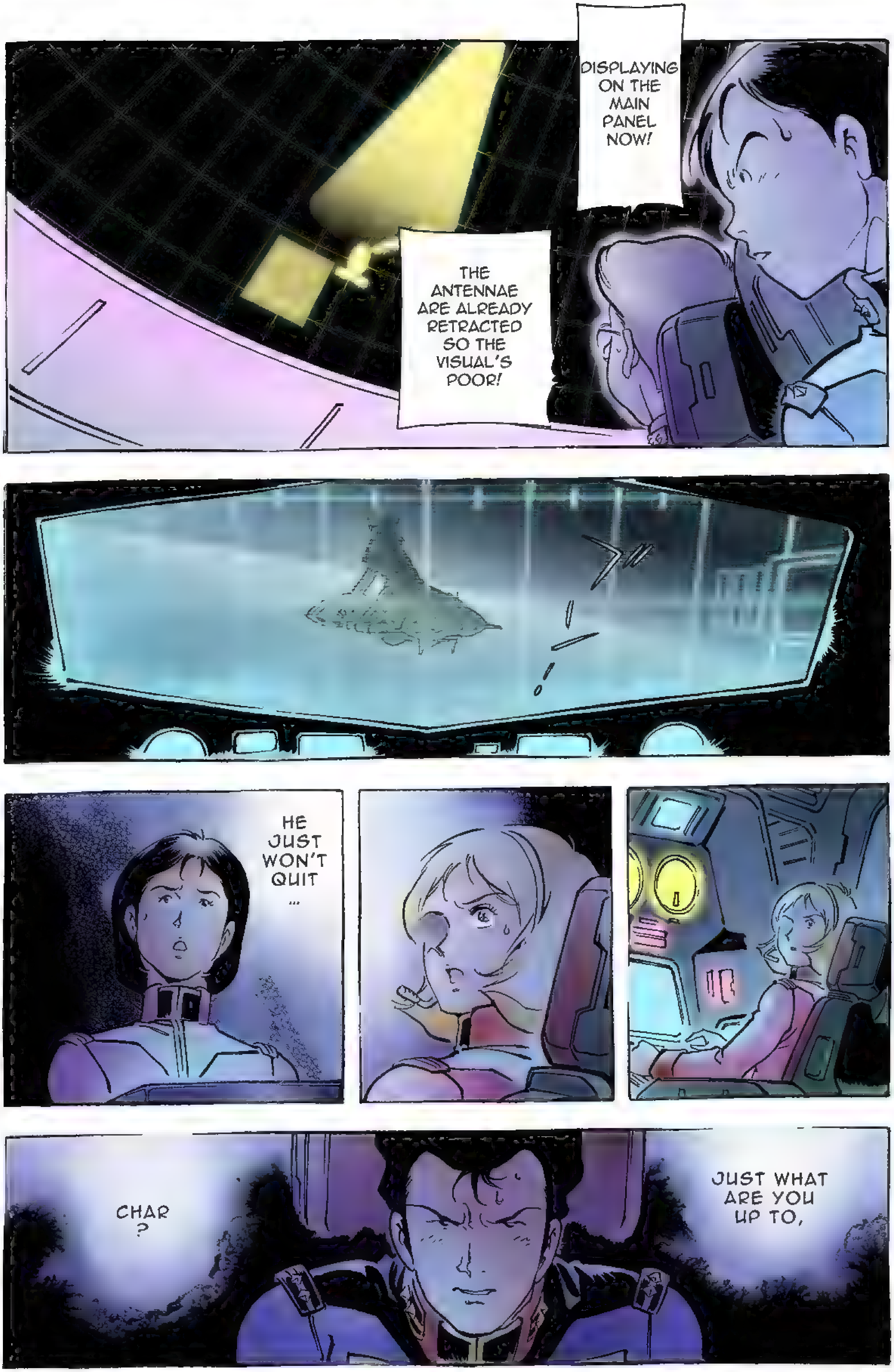

THOUGH I HAD A LOT OF HELP THAT TIME.
BUT THE BASIC NAVIGATION
IS THE SAME.
YUP!
IT'S THE SAME!
ALL WE HAVE TO DO IS FOLLOW INSTRUCTIONS FROM THE *SALAMIS* ...
WHAT I'M WORRIED ABOUT ...
IS CHAR ...
I DON'T IMAGINE HE'S JUST GIVEN UP...
BUT HE TOOK SOME SERIOUS LOSSES, TOO,
SO ...
THE QUESTION IS TO WHAT EXTENT HE'S MANAGED TO
MAKE UP FOR THAT BY RESUPPLYING ...
...



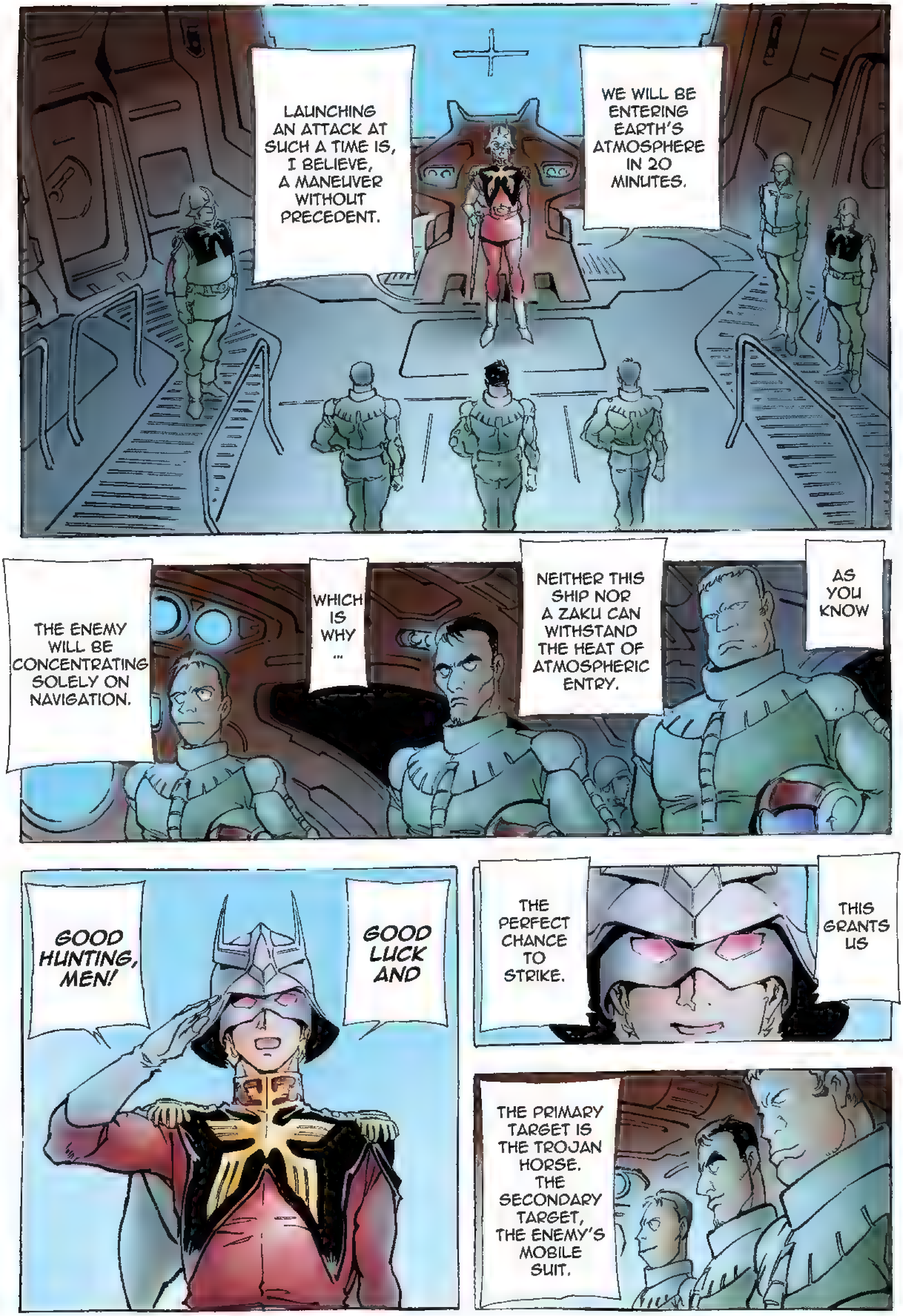
SIGNAL INCOMING FROM THE SALAMIS!
IT'S LT. REED!
HEY, JUNIOR! DO YOU COPY?!
ARE YOU READY?
YOU'LL BE ENTERING THE AT-MOSPHERE SHORTLY!
ITS ENTRY VELOCITY IS DAMN HIGH—
DON'T FALL BEHIND!
WE'LL BE GOING WITH YOU IN THE SALAMIS' CAPSULE!
FALL OUT OF ORBIT!
ALL HANDS, PREPARE FOR ENTRY!
GOD-SPEED
AND GOOD LUCK!
THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUP-PORT,
SIR.

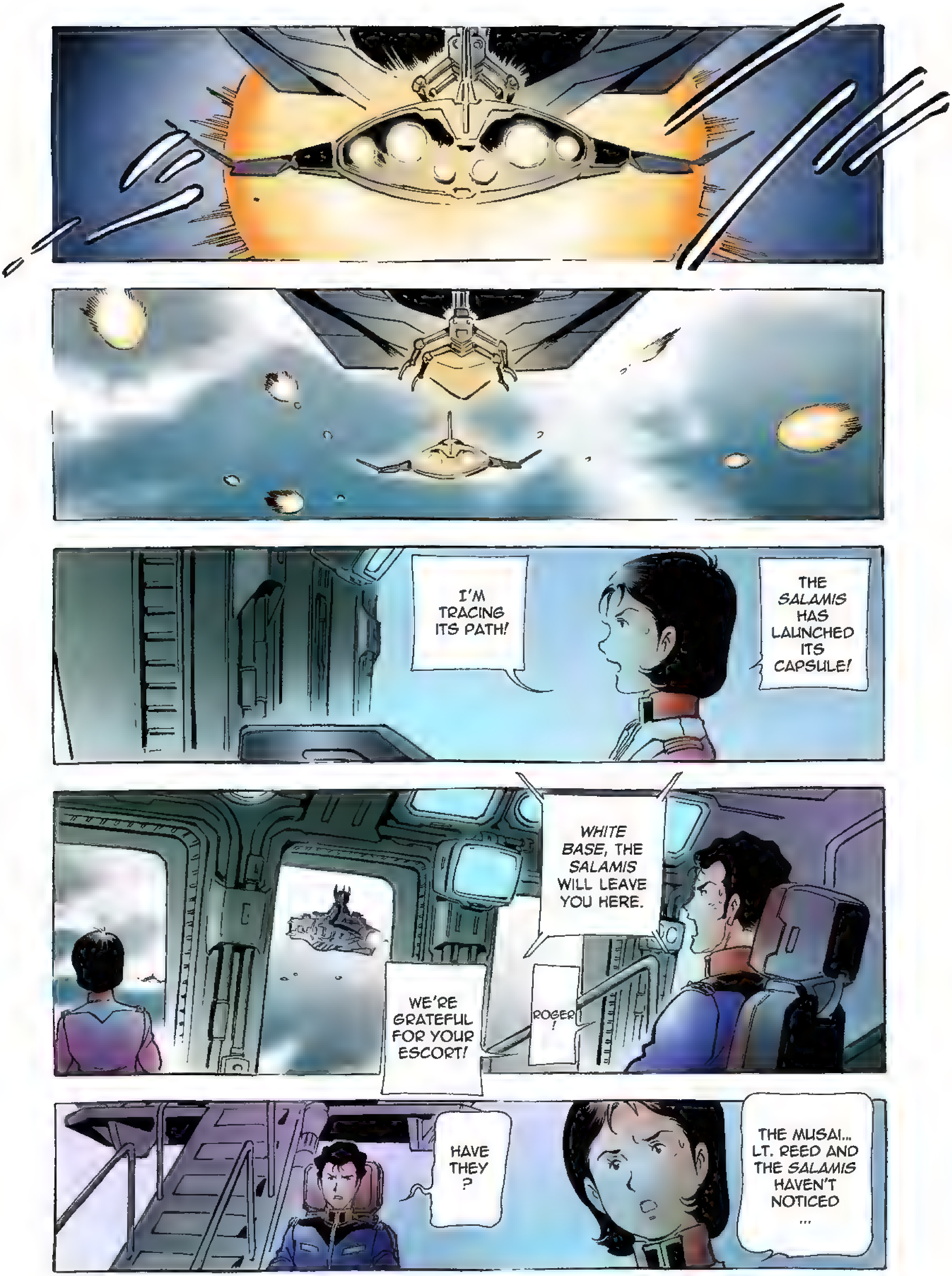

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HA, EASY...
CHAR WILL HANG BACK.
WE DID IT...
WE SHOOK HIM OFF!
A MUSAI!
WHAT ?!
30° ABOVE AT
NINE O' CLOCK!

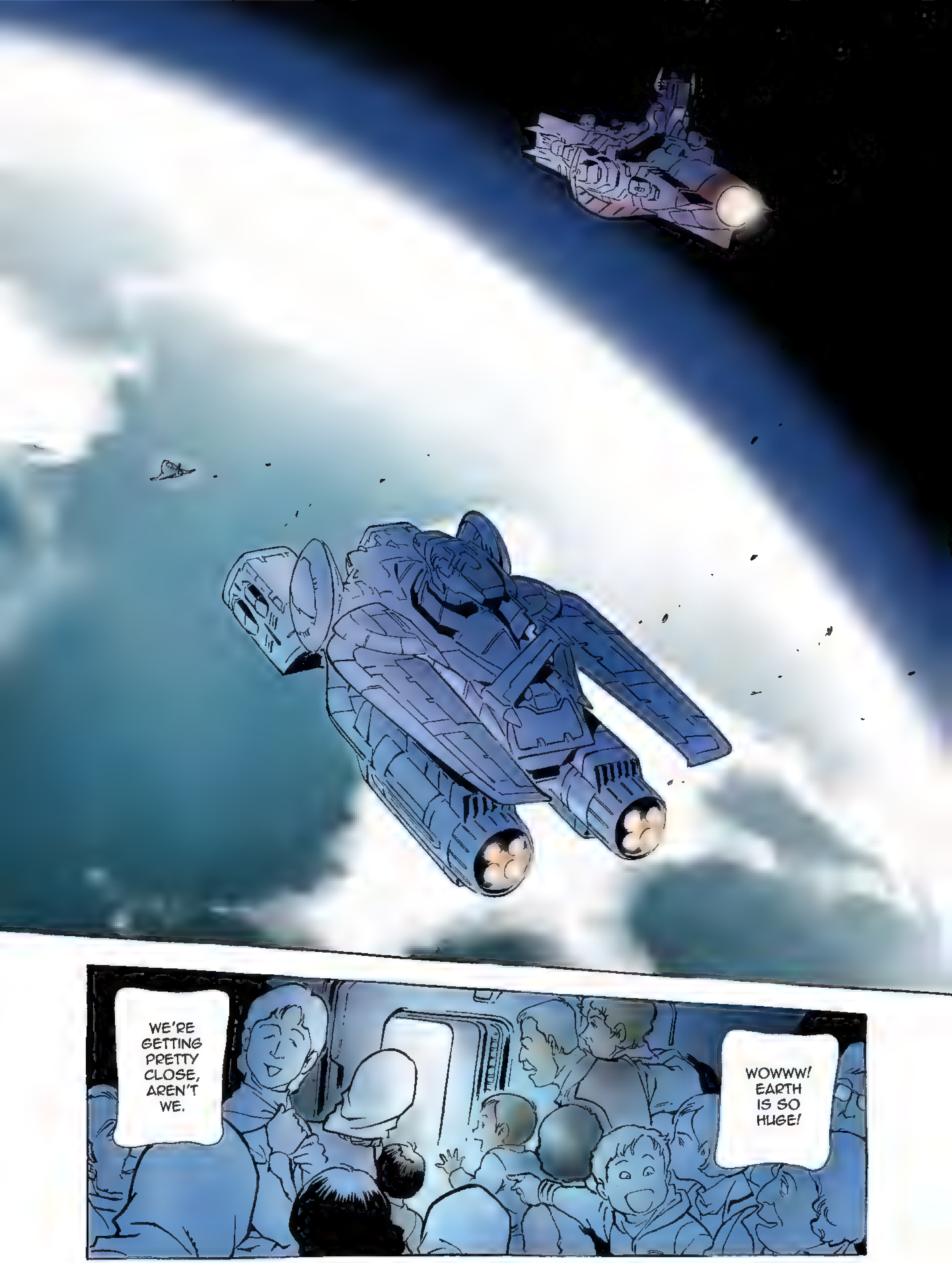

DISPLAYING ON THE MAIN PANEL NOW!
THE ANTENNAE ARE ALREADY RETRACTED SO THE VISUAL'S POOR!
HE JUST WON'T QUIT ...
JUST WHAT ARE YOU UP TO,
CHAR ?

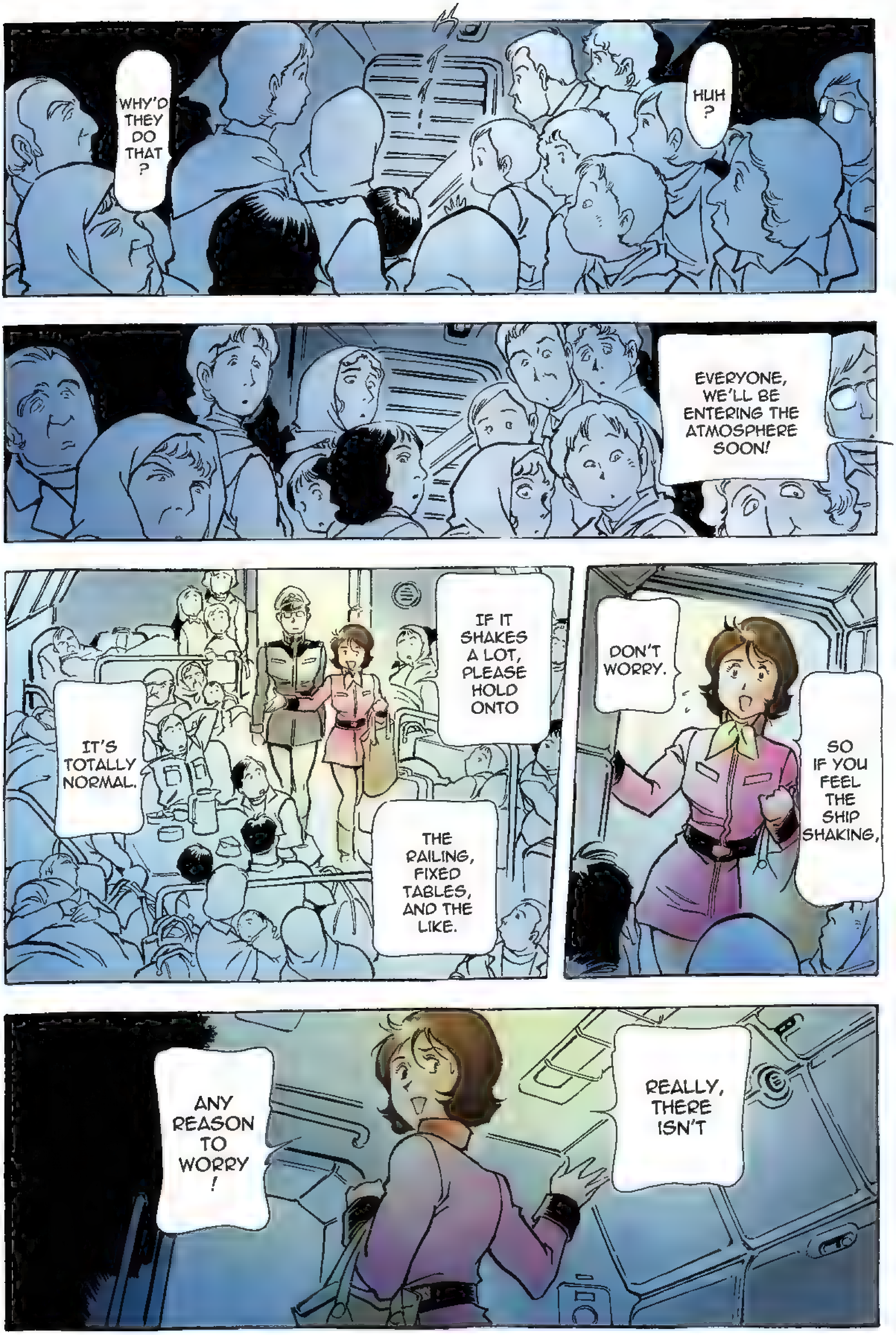

WE ARE FORTUNATE TO HAVE GAINED THREE ZAKUS,
AND YOU, EXCELLENT PILOTS FOR THEM AS WELL!

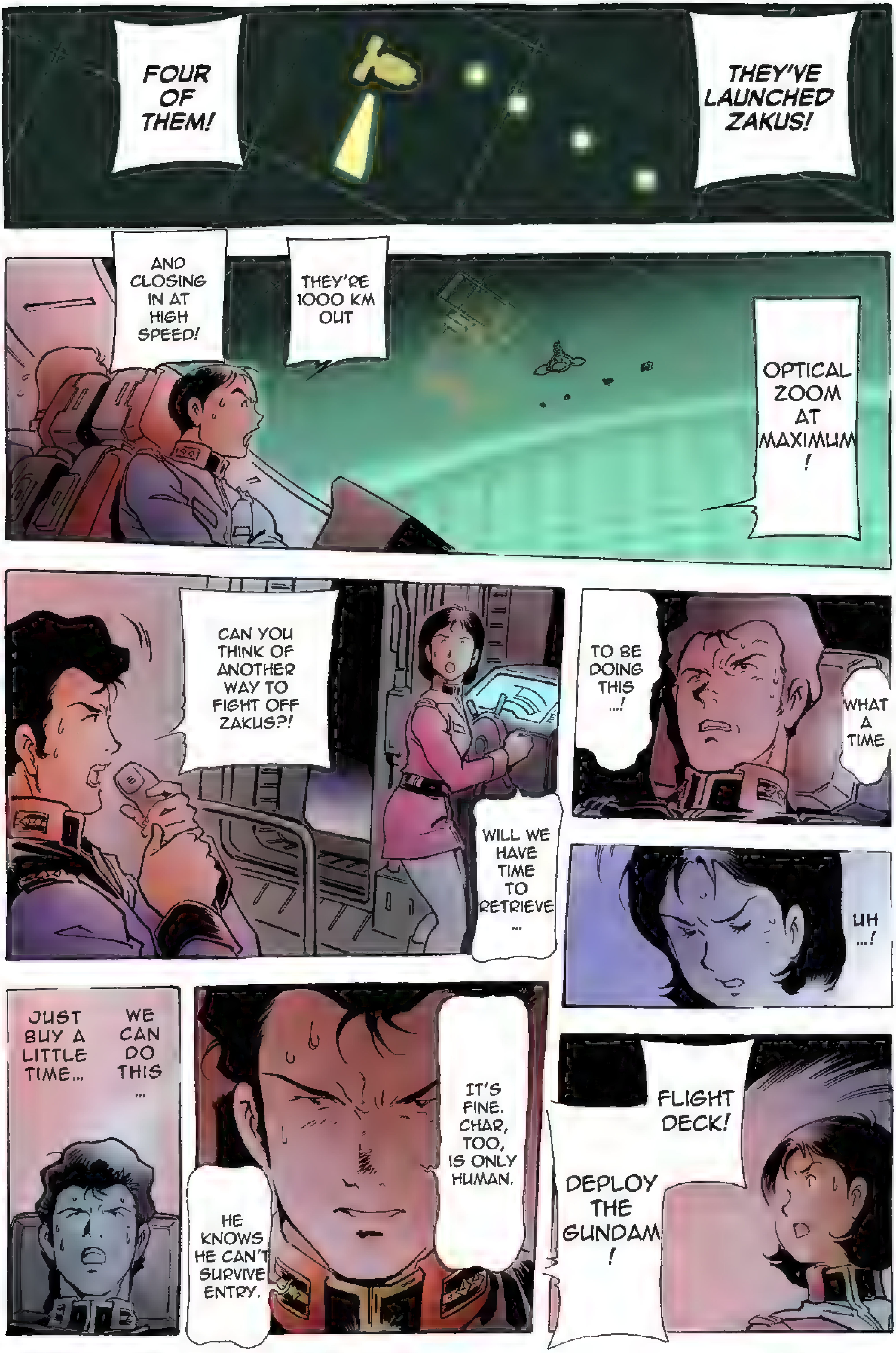

WE WILL BE ENTERING EARTH'S ATMOSPHERE IN 20 MINUTES.
LAUNCHING AN ATTACK AT SUCH A TIME IS, I BELIEVE, A MANEUVER WITHOUT PRECEDENT.
AS YOU KNOW
NEITHER THIS SHIP NOR A ZAKU CAN WITHSTAND THE HEAT OF ATMOSPHERIC ENTRY.
WHICH IS WHY ...
THE ENEMY WILL BE CONCENTRATING SOLELY ON NAVIGATION.
THIS GRANTS US
THE PERFECT CHANCE TO STRIKE.
THE PRIMARY TARGET IS THE TROJAN HORSE. THE SECONDARY TARGET, THE ENEMY'S MOBILE SUIT.
GOOD LUCK AND
GOOD HUNTING, MEN!

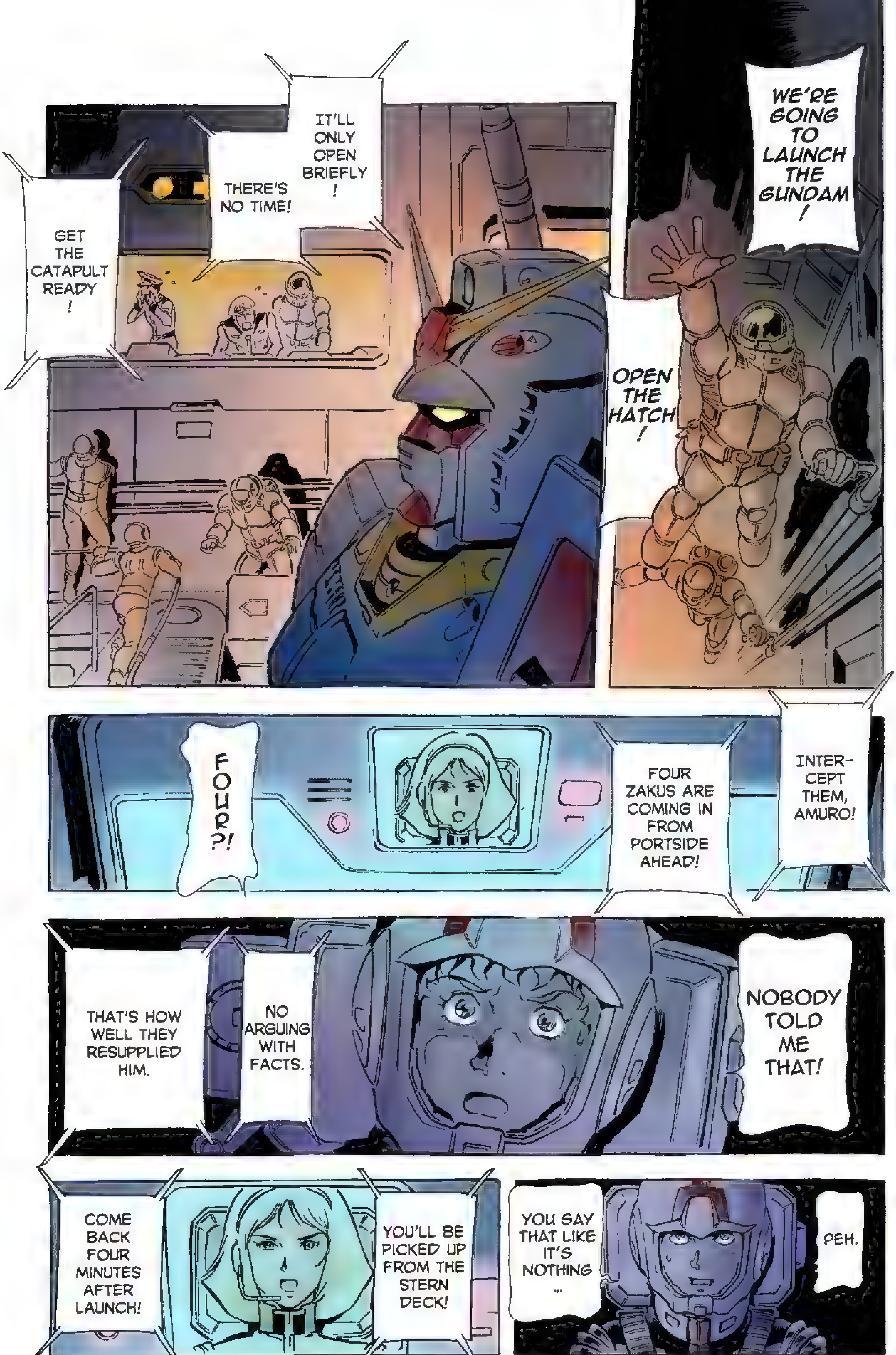


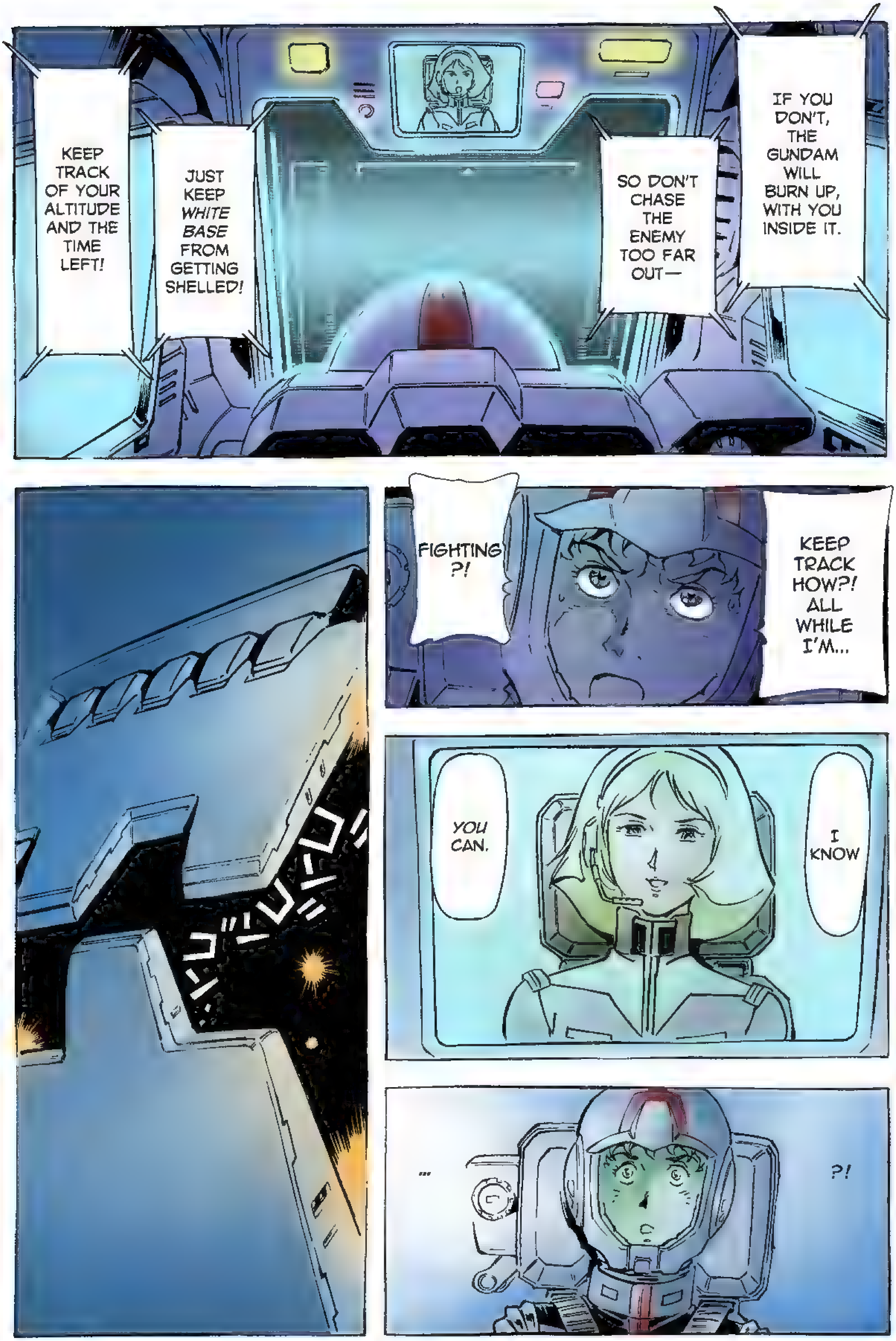
THE SALAMIS HAS LAUNCHED ITS CAPSULE!
I'M TRACING ITS PATH!
WHITE BASE, THE SALAMIS WILL LEAVE YOU HERE.
ROGER!
WE'RE GRATEFUL FOR YOUR ESCORT!
THE MUSAI... LT. REED AND THE SALAMIS HAVEN'T NOTICED ...
HAVE THEY ?


WE'RE GETTING PRETTY CLOSE, AREN'T WE.
WOWWW! EARTH IS SO HUGE!


WHY'D THEY DO THAT?
HUH?
EVERYONE, WE'LL BE ENTERING THE ATMOSPHERE SOON!
IF IT SHAKES A LOT, PLEASE HOLD ONTO
THE RAILING, FIXED TABLES, AND THE LIKE.
IT'S TOTALLY NORMAL.
DON'T WORRY.
SO IF YOU FEEL THE SHIP SHAKING,
REALLY, THERE ISN'T
ANY REASON TO WORRY!

FOUR OF THEM!
THEY'VE LAUNCHED ZAKUS!
AND CLOSING IN AT HIGH SPEED!
THEY'RE 1000 KM OUT
OPTICAL ZOOM AT MAXIMUM!
CAN YOU THINK OF ANOTHER WAY TO FIGHT OFF ZAKUS?!
WILL WE HAVE TIME TO RETRIEVE...
TO BE DOING THIS...!
WHAT A TIME
UH...!
JUST BUY A LITTLE TIME...
WE CAN DO THIS...
IT'S FINE. CHAR, TOO, IS ONLY HUMAN.
HE KNOWS HE CAN'T SURVIVE ENTRY.
FLIGHT DECK!
DEPLOY THE GUNDAM!


WE'RE GOING TO LAUNCH THE GUNDAM!
IT'LL ONLY OPEN BRIEFLY!
THERE'S NO TIME!
GET THE CATAPULT READY!
OPEN THE HATCH!
INTER-CEPT THEM, AMURO!
FOUR ZAKUS ARE COMING IN FROM PORTSIDE AHEAD!
FOUR?!
NOBODY TOLD ME THAT!
NO ARGUING WITH FACTS.
THAT'S HOW WELL THEY RESUPPLIED HIM.
YOU'LL BE PICKED UP FROM THE STERN DECK!
COME BACK FOUR MINUTES AFTER LAUNCH!
PEH.
YOU SAY THAT LIKE IT'S NOTHING...

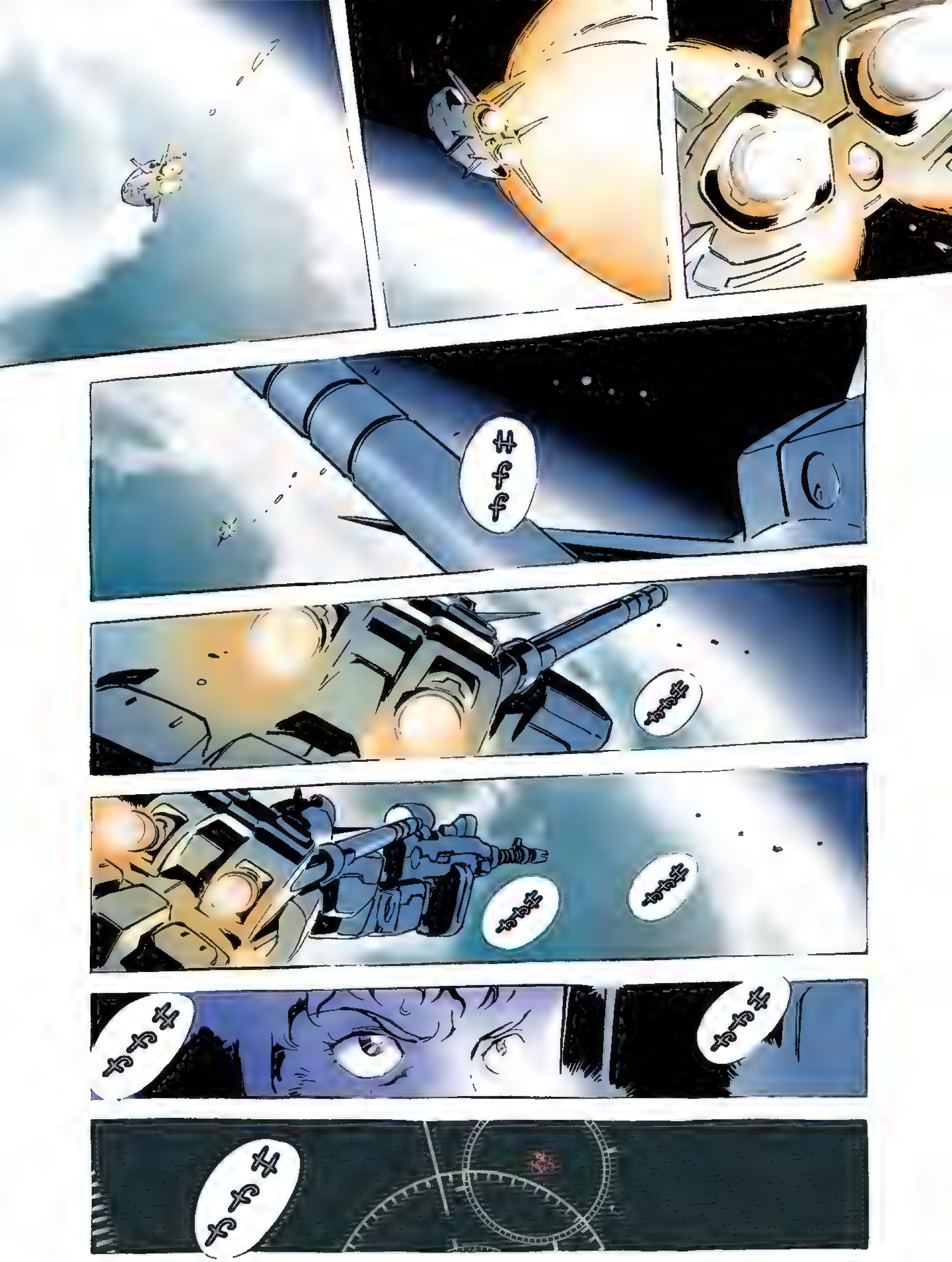

IF YOU DON'T, THE GUNDAM WILL BURN UP, WITH YOU INSIDE IT.
SO DON'T CHASE THE ENEMY TOO FAR OUT—
JUST KEEP WHITE BASE FROM GETTING SHELLED!
KEEP TRACK OF YOUR ALTITUDE AND THE TIME LEFT!
KEEP TRACK HOW?! ALL WHILE I'M...
FIGHTING ?!
I KNOW
YOU CAN.
?!
...



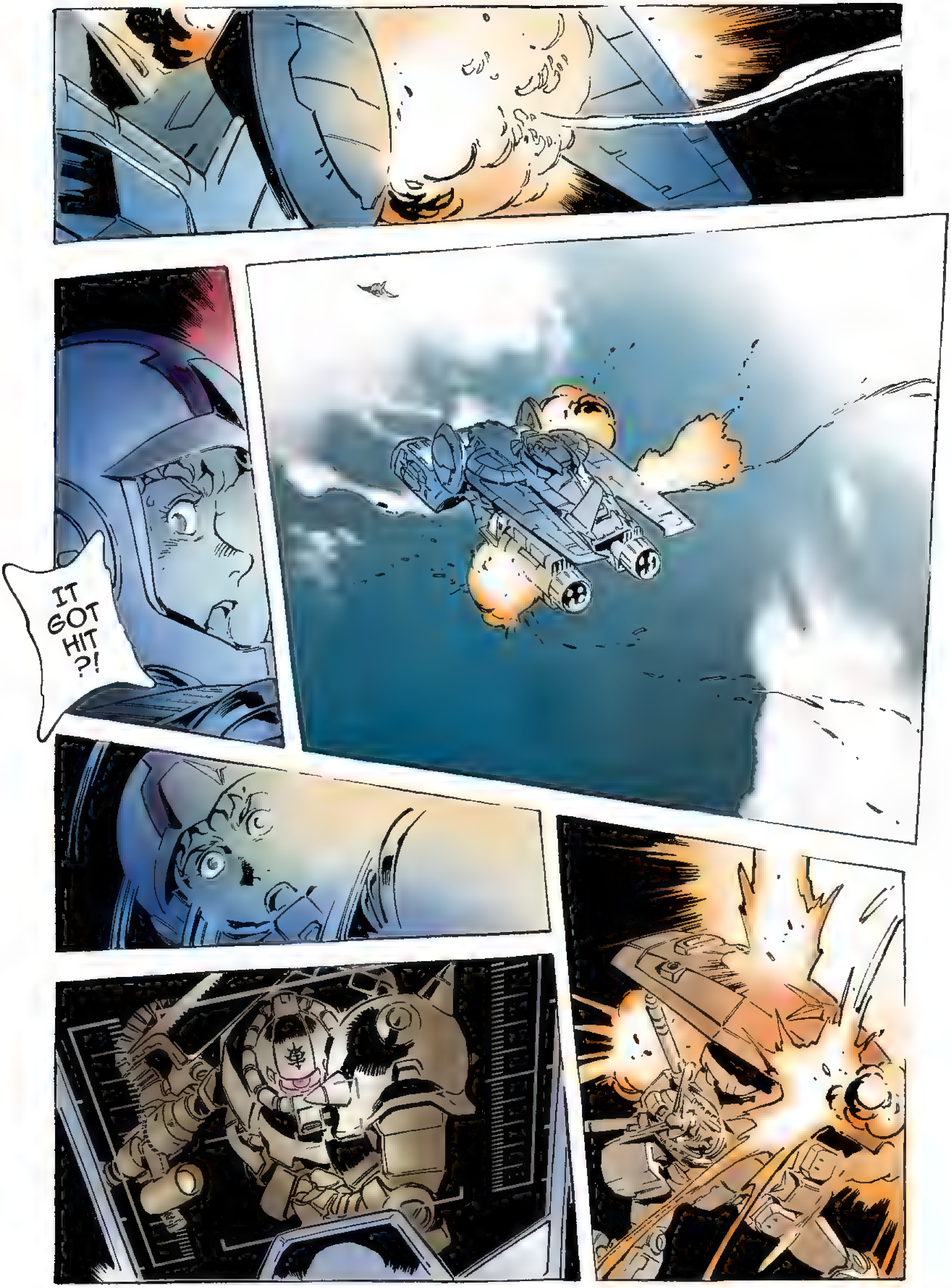
AMURO?
SAYLA—
WHAT,
Oh...
DON'T FLATTER ME!
YES,
IT'S FINE.
IS YOUR LEFT SHOULDER BETTER NOW?
HUH?!
AT A TIME LIKE THIS...
THANK YOU FOR ASKING, AMURO.

THEY'VE DEPLOYED THE GUNDAM?!
?!!
WHAT IS THAT ?!
THAT'S INSANE !!
TH-


IT'S COME FOR US, JUST AS I THOUGHT.
I WOULDN'T EXPECT ANY LESS FROM THE FEDERATION'S NEW MOBILE SUIT!
DREN!
EJECT THE KOMUSAI AND MOVE OUT!
AYE AYE!
GOOD LUCK, SIR!


Hff
Hff
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IT GOT HIT?!



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TARD
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EEK!
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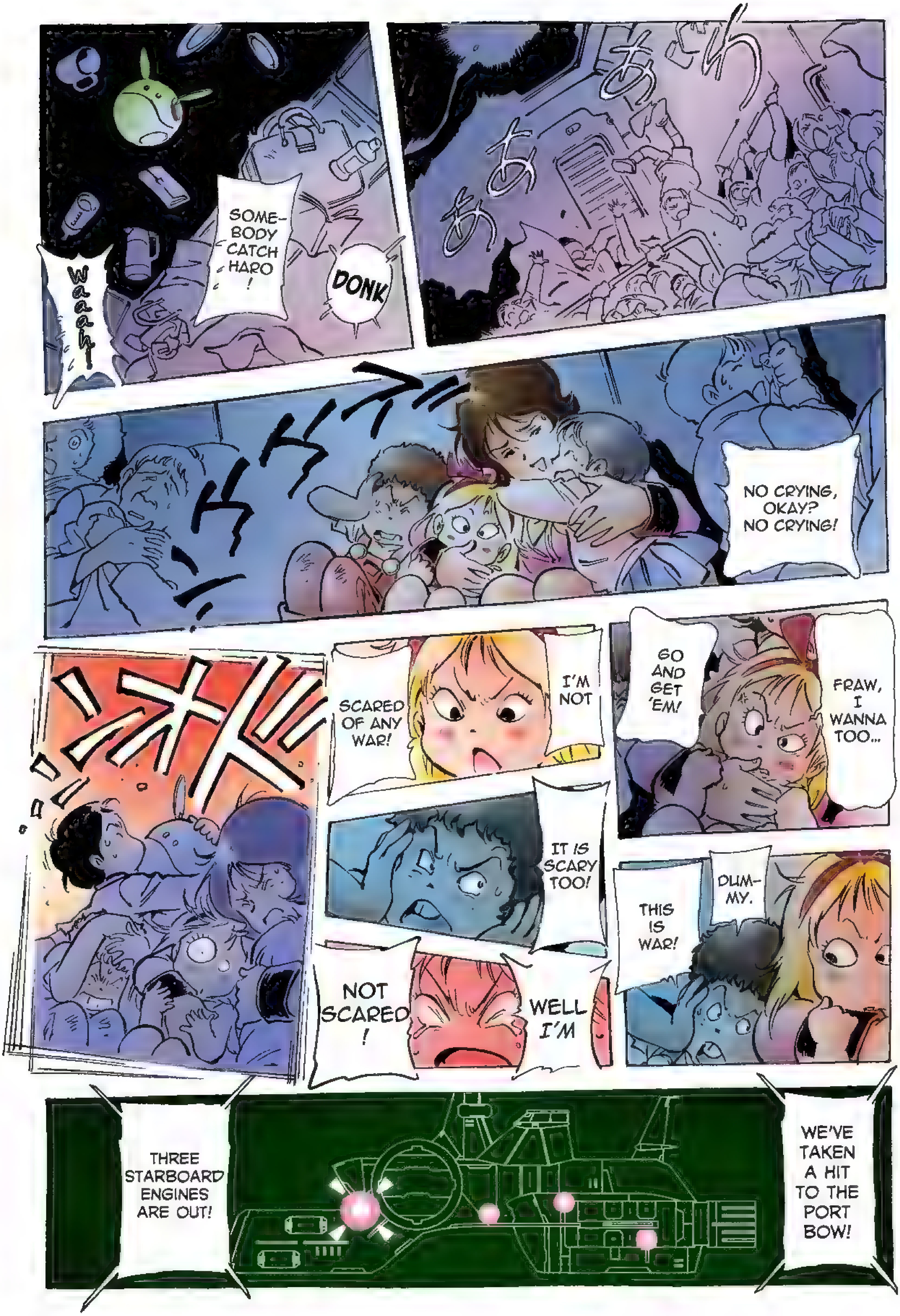

TELL THE GUNDAM TO DRAW THE ZAKUS AWAY
AND KEEP THEM FROM FIRING ON US!
SAYLA!
WRONG!
IT LOOKS LIKE AMURO TOOK ONE OUT!
WHAT'S THE MATTER?!
OUR AA DEFENSE APPEARS FLIMSY!
RYU!
WE NEVER DID HAVE ENOUGH, OKAY?!
FIRE-POWER OR MAN-POWER!
YOU THINK I AIN'T TRYIN'?!

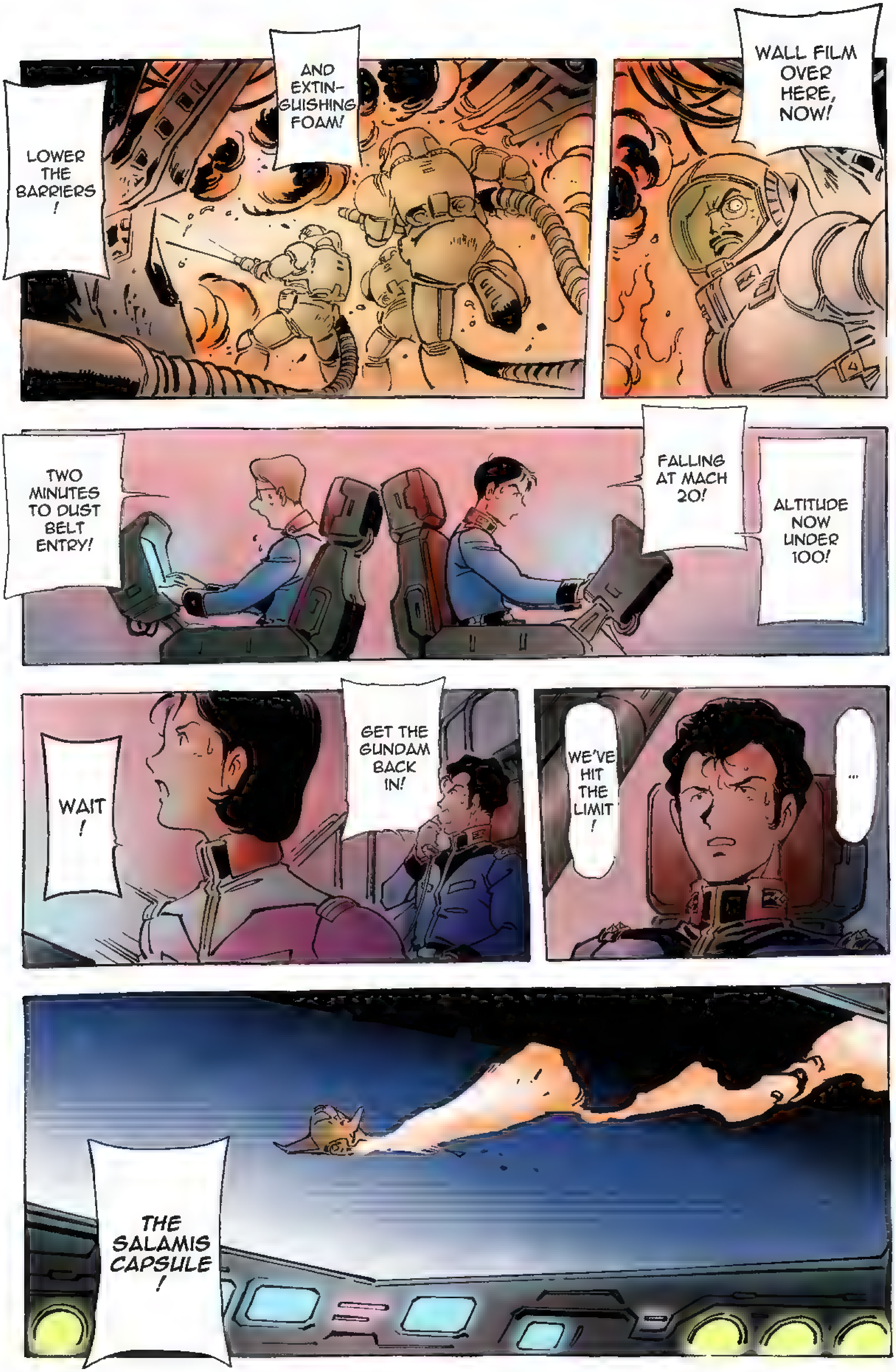

I DON'T THINK SO!
AMURO!
BEHIND YOU!
AGH!

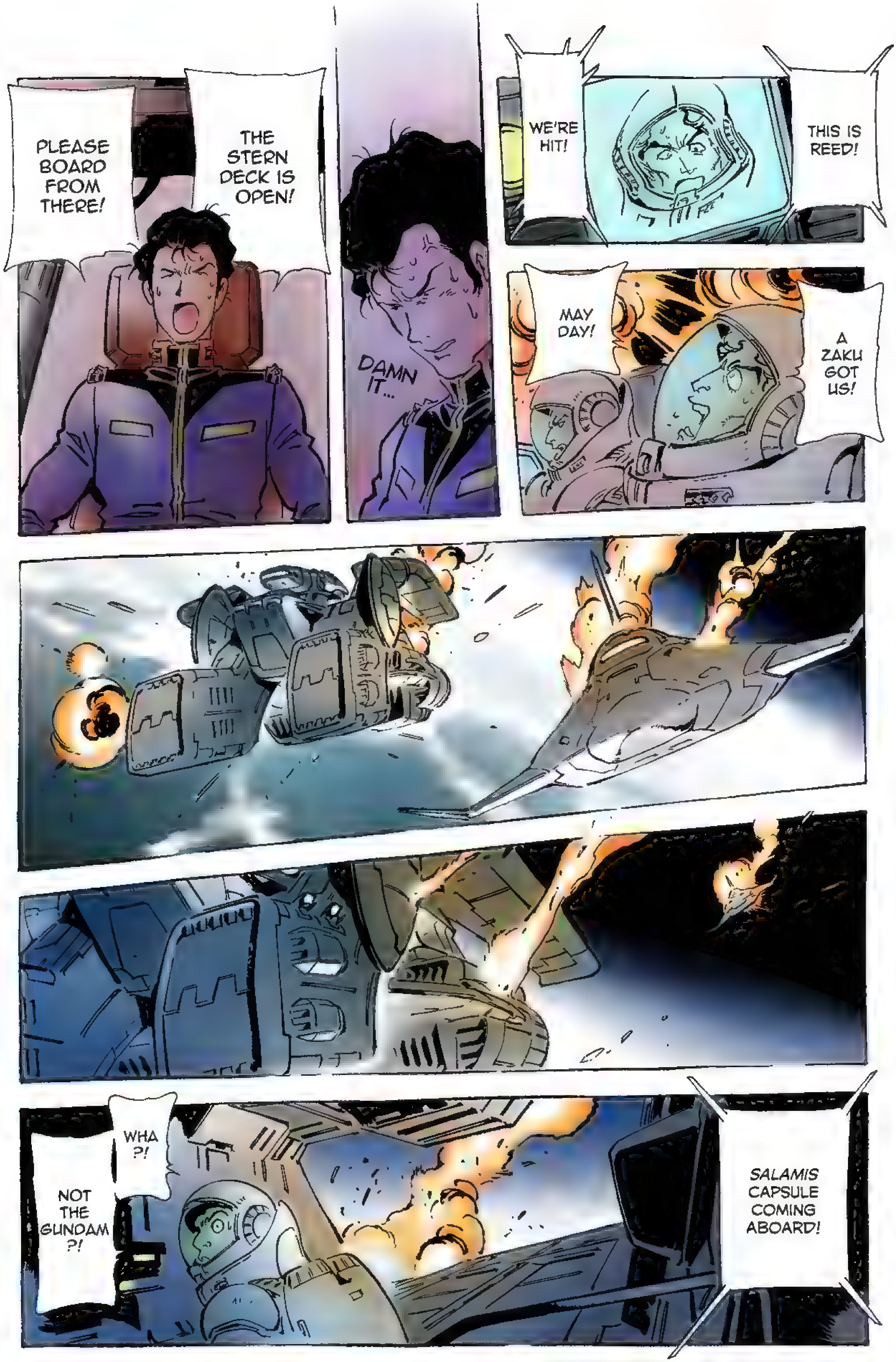

MOBILE SUIT SPECS ALONE DON'T DETERMINE COMBAT CAPACITY...
HA...

ALLOW ME
TO SHOW YOU!


DAMN CHAR!


SOME-BODY CATCH HARO!
Waaah!
DONK
ああああわ
NO CRYING, OKAY? NO CRYING!
I'M NOT SCARED OF ANY WAR!
FRAW, I WANNA TOO...
GO AND GET 'EM!
IT IS SCARY TOO!
WELL I'M NOT SCARED!
DUM-MY.
THIS IS WAR!
WE'VE TAKEN A HIT TO THE PORT BOW!
THREE STARBOARD ENGINES ARE OUT!


LOWER THE BARRIERS!
AND EXTIN-GUISHING FOAM!
WALL FILM OVER HERE, NOW!
TWO MINUTES TO DUST BELT ENTRY!
FALLING AT MACH 20!
ALTITUDE NOW UNDER 100!
WAIT!
GET THE GUNDAM BACK IN!
WE'VE HIT THE LIMIT!
...
THE SALAMIS CAPSULE!

PLEASE BOARD FROM THERE!
THE STERN DECK IS OPEN!
DAMN IT...
WE'RE HIT!
THIS IS REED!
MAY DAY!
A ZAKU GOT US!
WHA ?!
NOT THE GUNDAM ?!
SALAMIS CAPSULE COMING ABOARD!


WE'RE GETTING A LASER LOCK ON YOU!
PLEASE STABILIZE YOUR ATTITUDE!

LIEUTENANT BRIIIGHT!!
SEE FOR YOURSELF, SIR...
BATTLE STATUS!
WHAT'S GOING ON?!
WHAT THE...
!!
LT. REED!
GET IT BACK HERE RIGHT NOW!
THIS IS ABSURD!
THE GUNDAM
IS STILL FIGHTING OUT THERE?!

THIS CALLS FOR A COURT MAR-TIAL!
THE GUNDAM IS FIGHTING NONE OTHER THAN
CHAR, THE RED COMET.
ON TOP OF THAT ...
YOUR CAPSULE IS CURRENTLY OCCUPYING THE STERN DECK!
YOU, LTJG BRIGHT,
ARE ABOUT TO TURN THE HIGHEST SECRET OF THE FEDERATION FORCES INTO SPACE DUST!
I'LL BE TESTIFYING AGAINST YOU WHEN WE GET TO JABURO!
HQ IS GOING TO HEAR ABOUT THIS ROYAL SNAFU OF YOURS!
SO LONG AS WE MAKE IT TO JABURO ALIVE!
THAT'S UP TO YOU, SIR!
I DON'T CARE WHAT PEOPLE WILL SAY ABOUT ME!

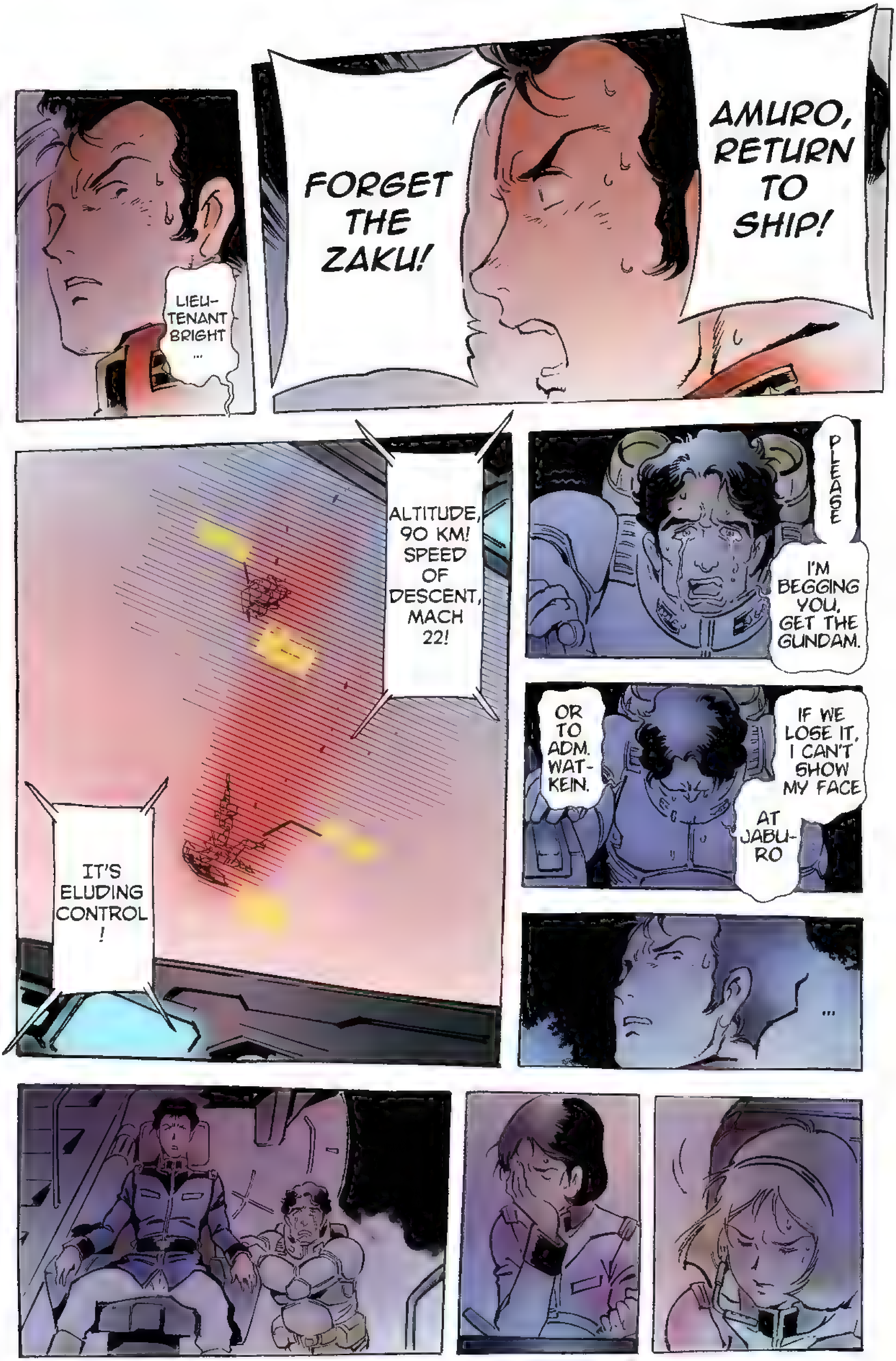


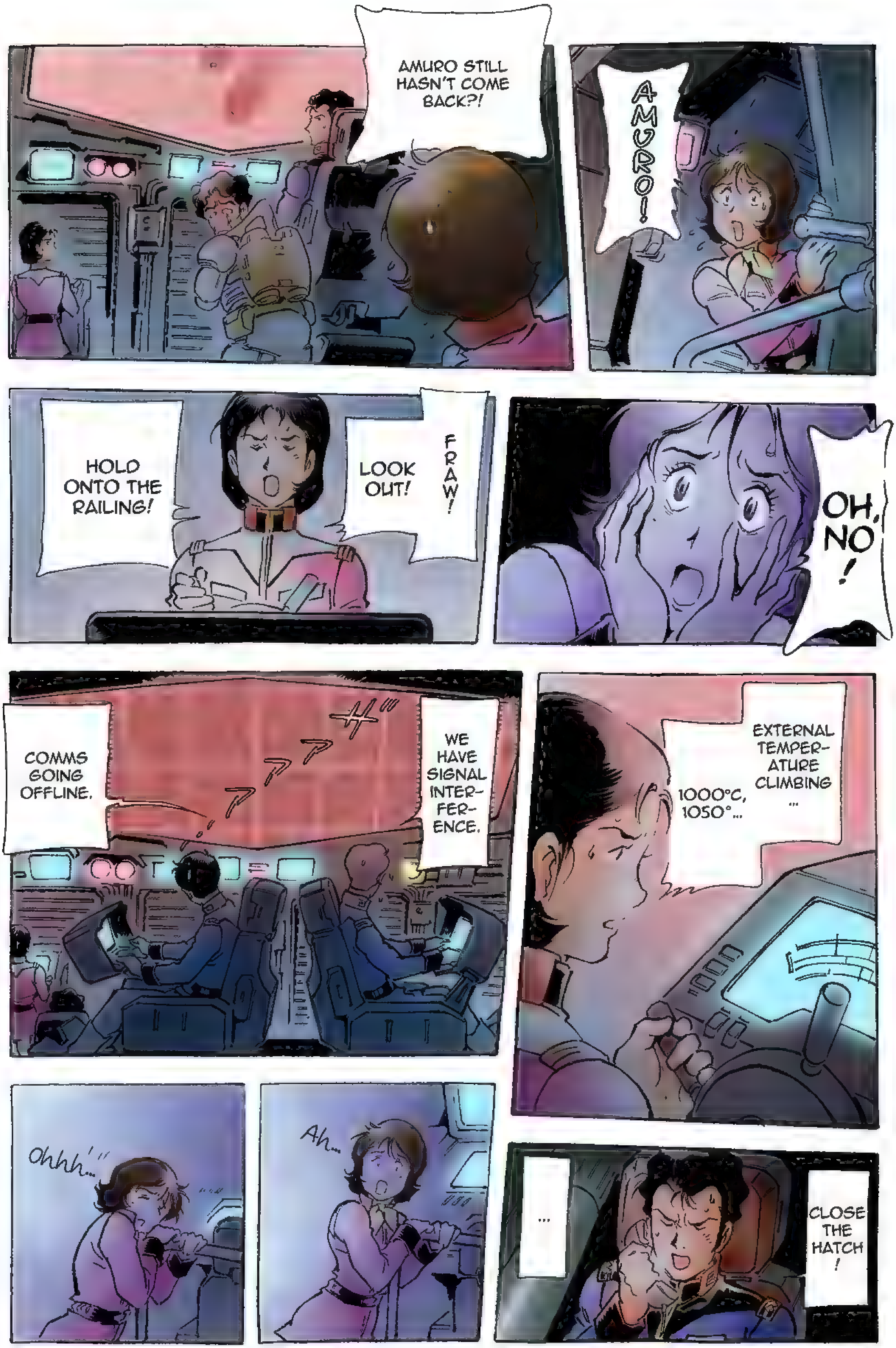

IS THIS WHITE THING?!
DAMN! WHAT SORT OF MONSTER
LT. CDR. CHAR!
LT. CDR. —

HAVEN'T DEALT A LETHAL BLOW YET...
TSK.
TIME'S UP, SIR!
PLEASE RETREAT INTO THE CAPSULE!
PUT YOUR HANDS UP!
WAS IT ARTESIA ...?
REMOVE YOUR HELMET
AND THAT MASK, TOO!
NO WAY ARTESIA WOULD BE
ON THAT SHIP...
NO!


JOSEF! CROWN!
THAT'S ENOUGH! THIS OPERATION WAS SUCCESSFUL!
GENTLE ...
MORE ...
ARTESIA IS ALSO
IT'S TOO LATE FOR THAT ONE TO BE RETRIEVED.
TO THE CAPSULE!
CROWN, FALL BACK!


AMURO!
AMURO, DO YOU READ ME!
YOU'RE OUT OF TIME!
COME BACK ABOARD!
AMURO!!
AMURO! THAT'S ENOUGH!
GET INTO THE STERN DECK!
Oh my god...

LIEUTENANT BRIGHT ...
FORGET THE ZAKU!
AMURO, RETURN TO SHIP!
ALTITUDE, 90 KM! SPEED OF DESCENT, MACH 22!
IT'S ELUDING CONTROL !
PLEASE
I'M BEGGING YOU, GET THE GUNDAM.
IF WE LOSE IT, I CAN'T SHOW MY FACE
AT JABURO
OR TO ADM. WATKEIN.
...

AMURO STILL HASN'T COME BACK?!
AMURO!
FRAW!
LOOK OUT!
HOLD ONTO THE RAILING!
OH, NO!
WE HAVE SIGNAL INTERFERENCE.
COMMS GOING OFFLINE.
EXTERNAL TEMPERATURE CLIMBING...
1000°C, 1050°...
Ohhh...
Ah...
CLOSE THE HATCH!
...

I CAN'T
CON-TROL IT!
WHAT AM I
SUPPOSED TO DO ?!
I CAN'T SLOW DOWN!
COMMANDER!

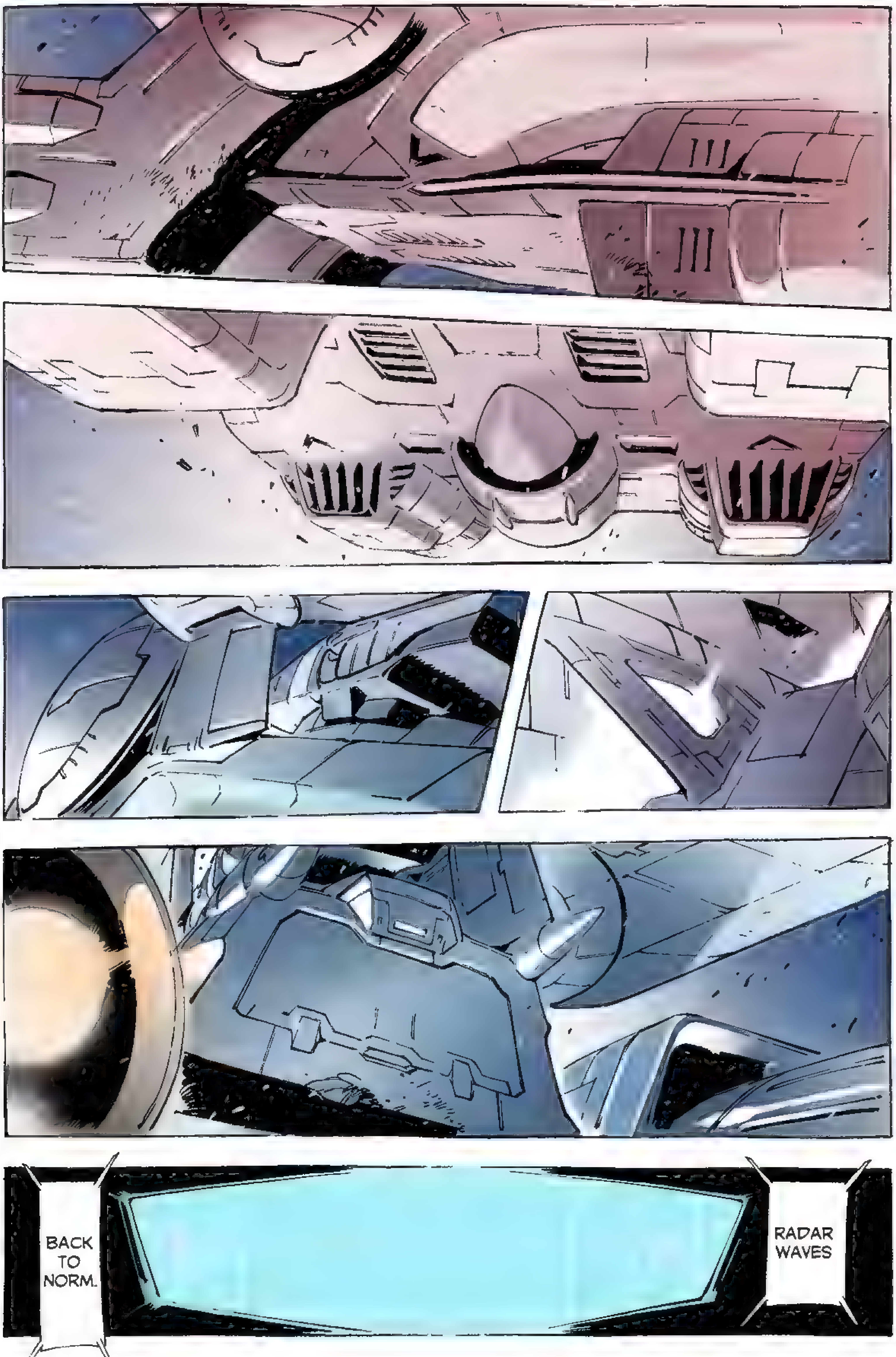


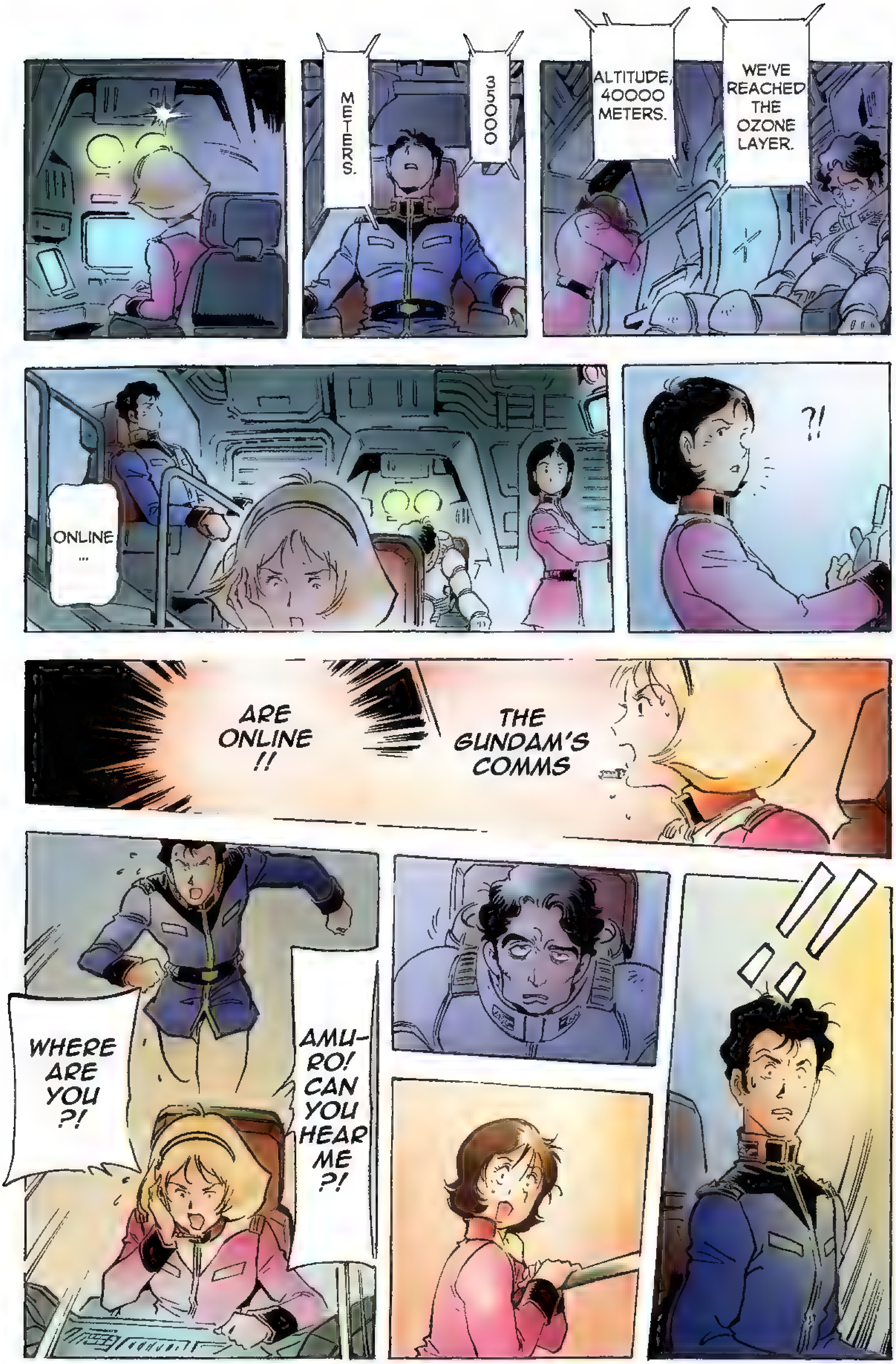
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YOU WON'T DIE
IN VAIN.
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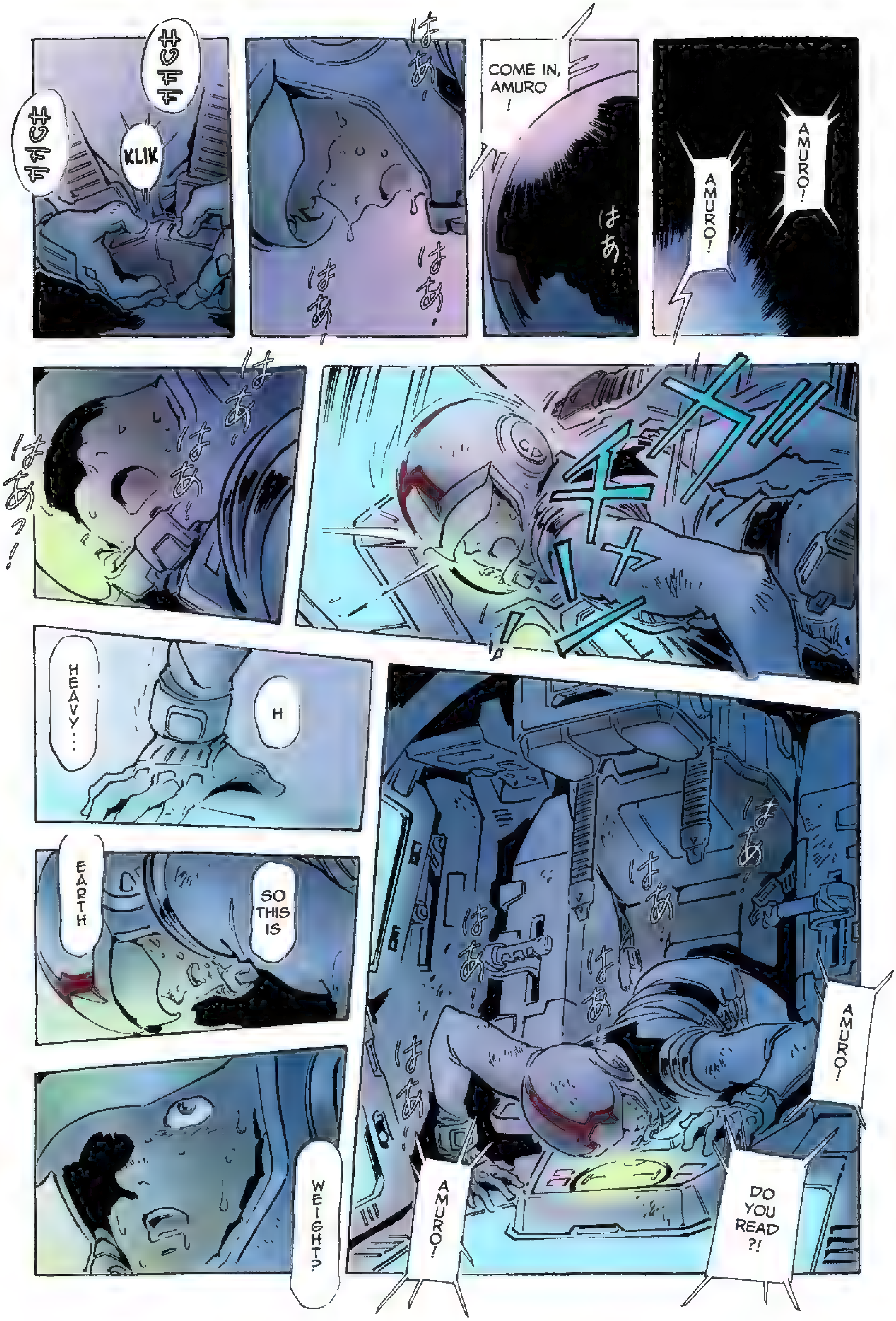


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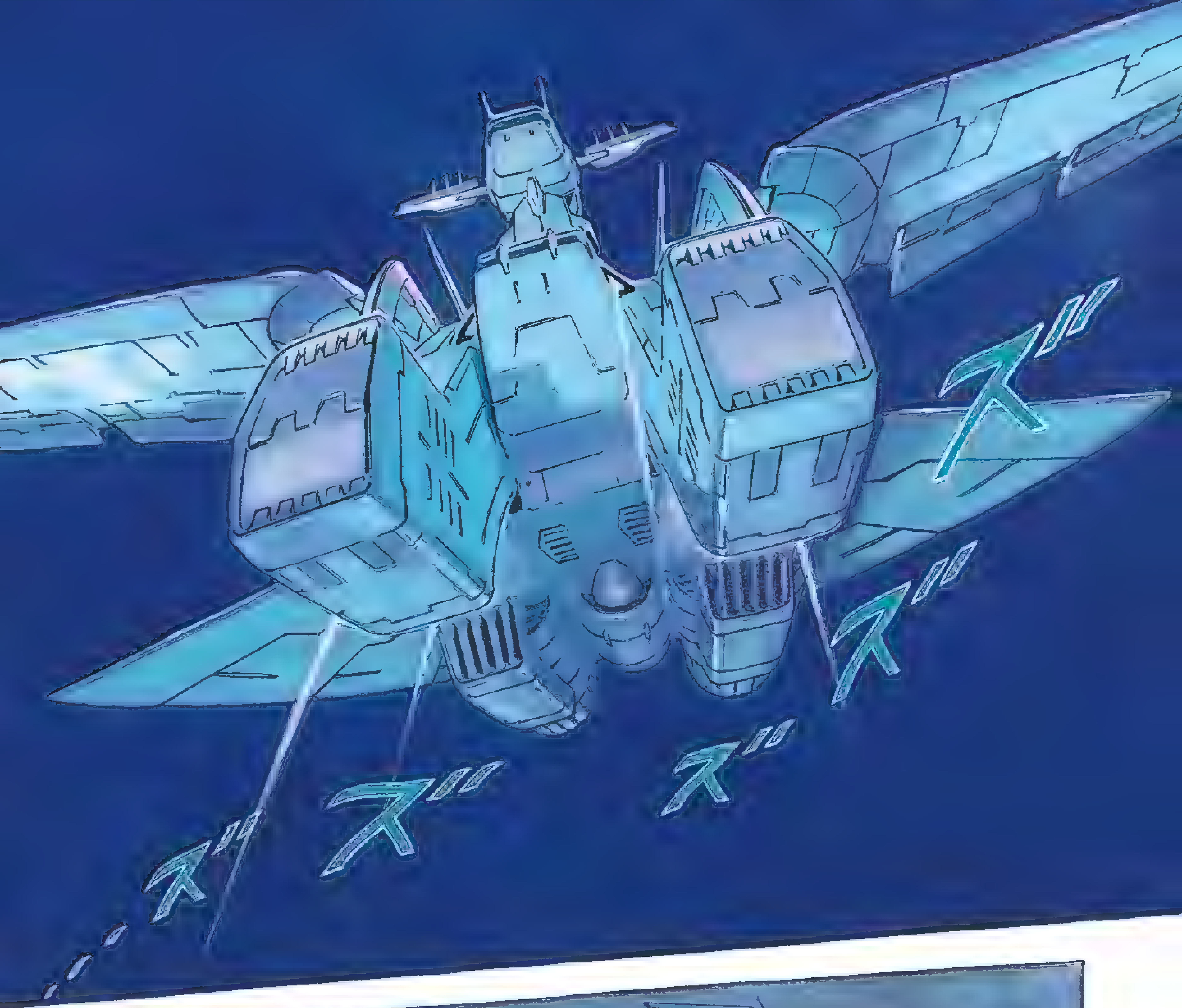


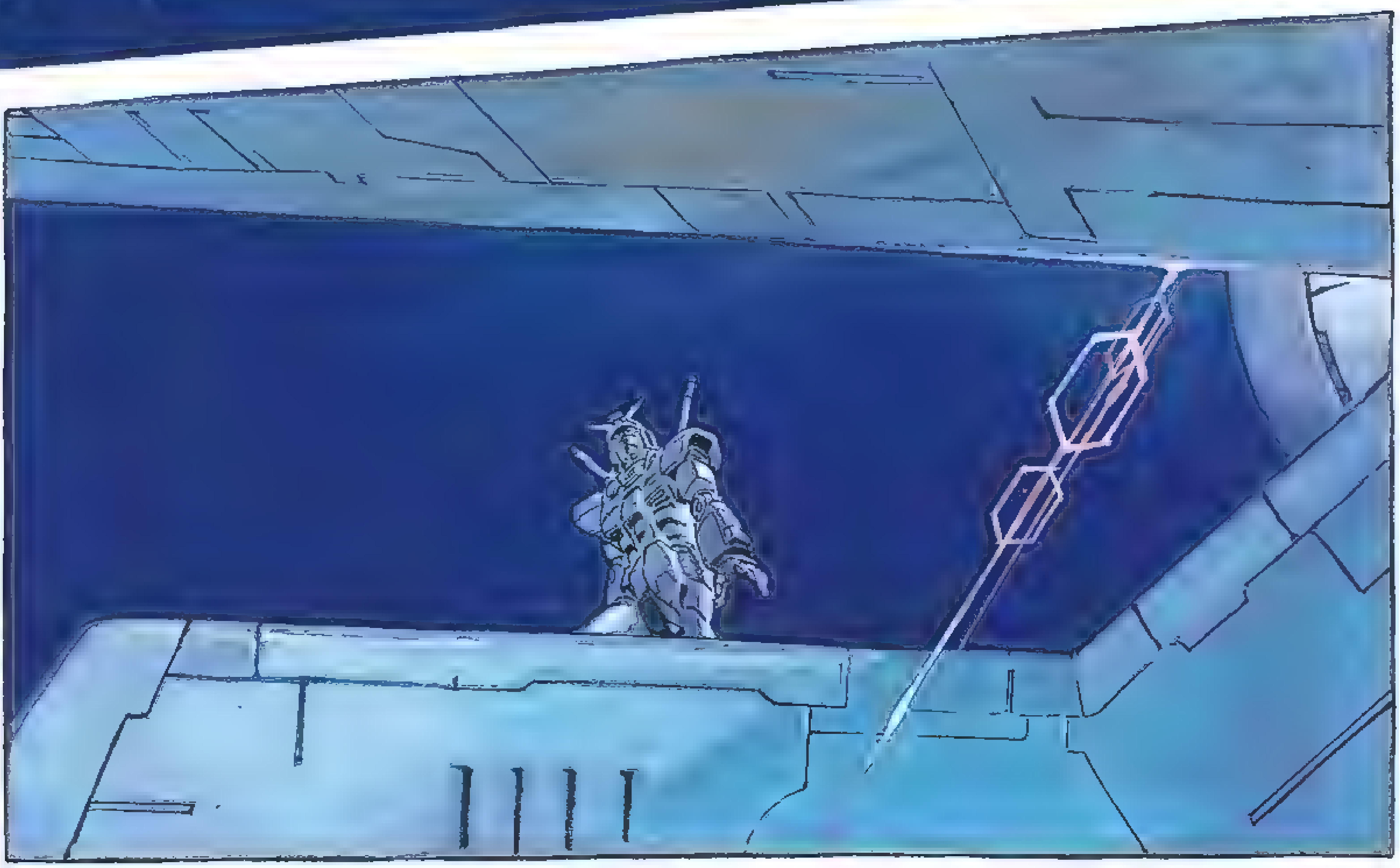

BACK TO NORM.
RADAR WAVES

METERS.
35000
ALTITUDE, 40000 METERS.
WE'VE REACHED THE OZONE LAYER.
ONLINE ...
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THE GUNDAM'S COMMS
ARE ONLINE !!
WHERE ARE YOU ?!
AMU-RO! CAN YOU HEAR ME ?!

AMURO!
AMURO!
COME IN, AMURO!
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DO YOU READ?!
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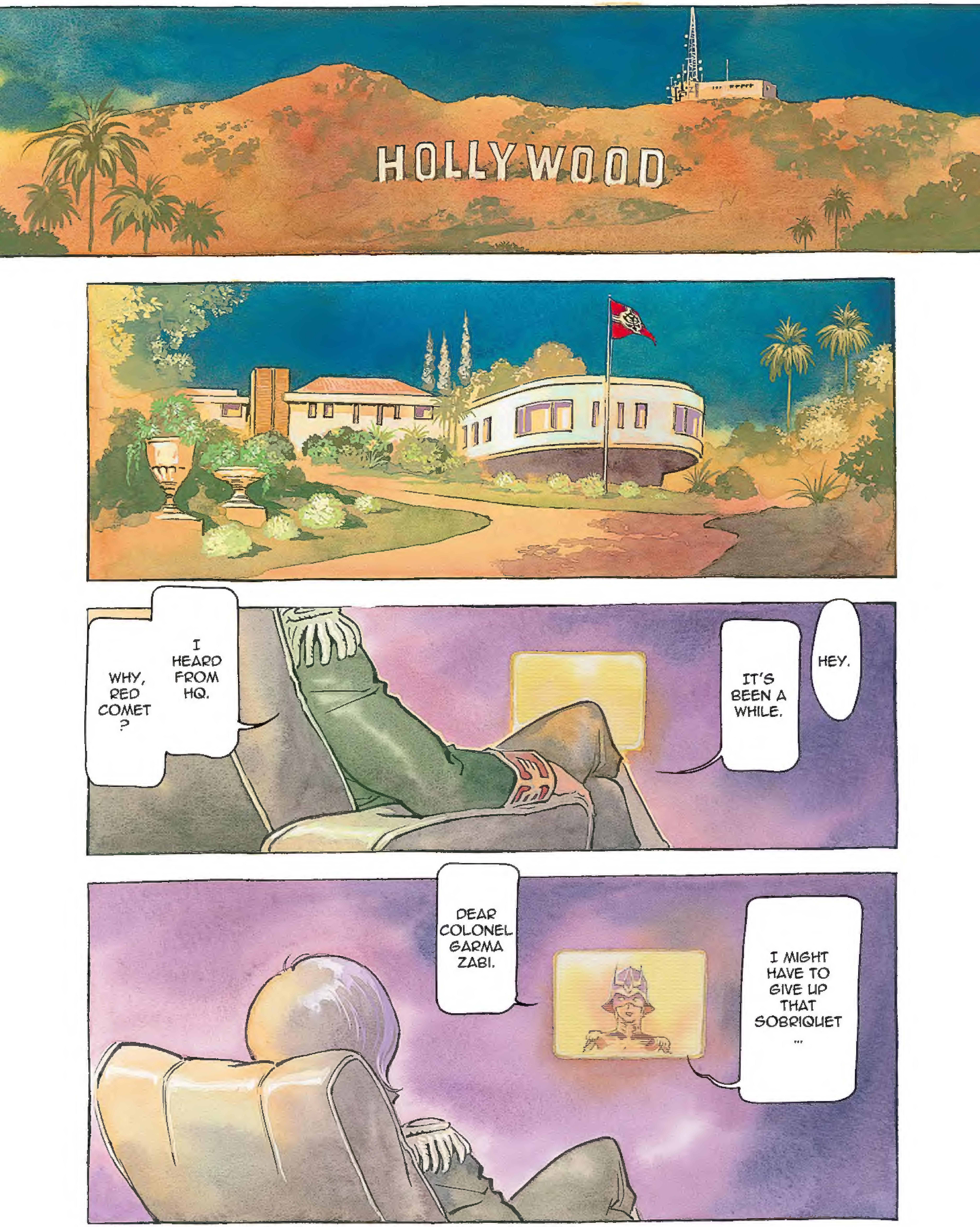

THAT MOBILE SUIT IS COMMUNI- CATING
WITH ITS MOTHER SHIP!
HOW CAN THAT BE?
IT SHOULD HAVE BURNED UP.
UM
DON'T TELL ME THE FEDERATION FORCES BUILT A MOBILE SUIT THAT CAN WITHSTAND ATMOSPHERIC ENTRY?
WELL ...
THAT JUST MIGHT BE THE CASE.
WHERE ARE WE?
YES, SIR!
WE'RE ABOVE THE WEST COAST OF NORTH AMERICA, SIR!

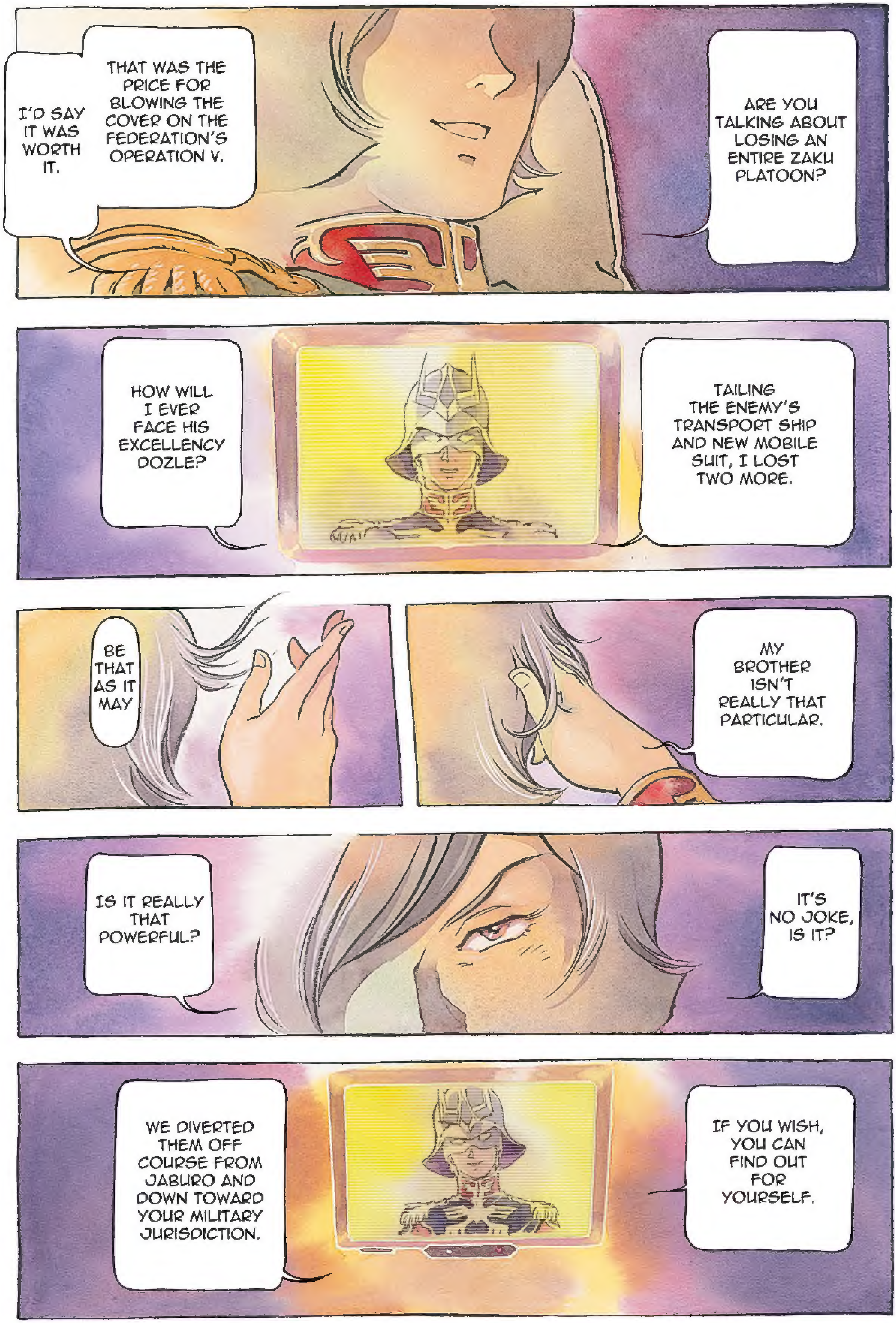

HQ FOR OUR NORTH AMERICAN FORCES IS IN LOS ANGELES, I RECALL.
SEND A MESSAGE TO THE COMMANDER, COLONEL GARMA.
LET HIM KNOW ...
THE RED COM-ET
HAS FALLEN TO EARTH.

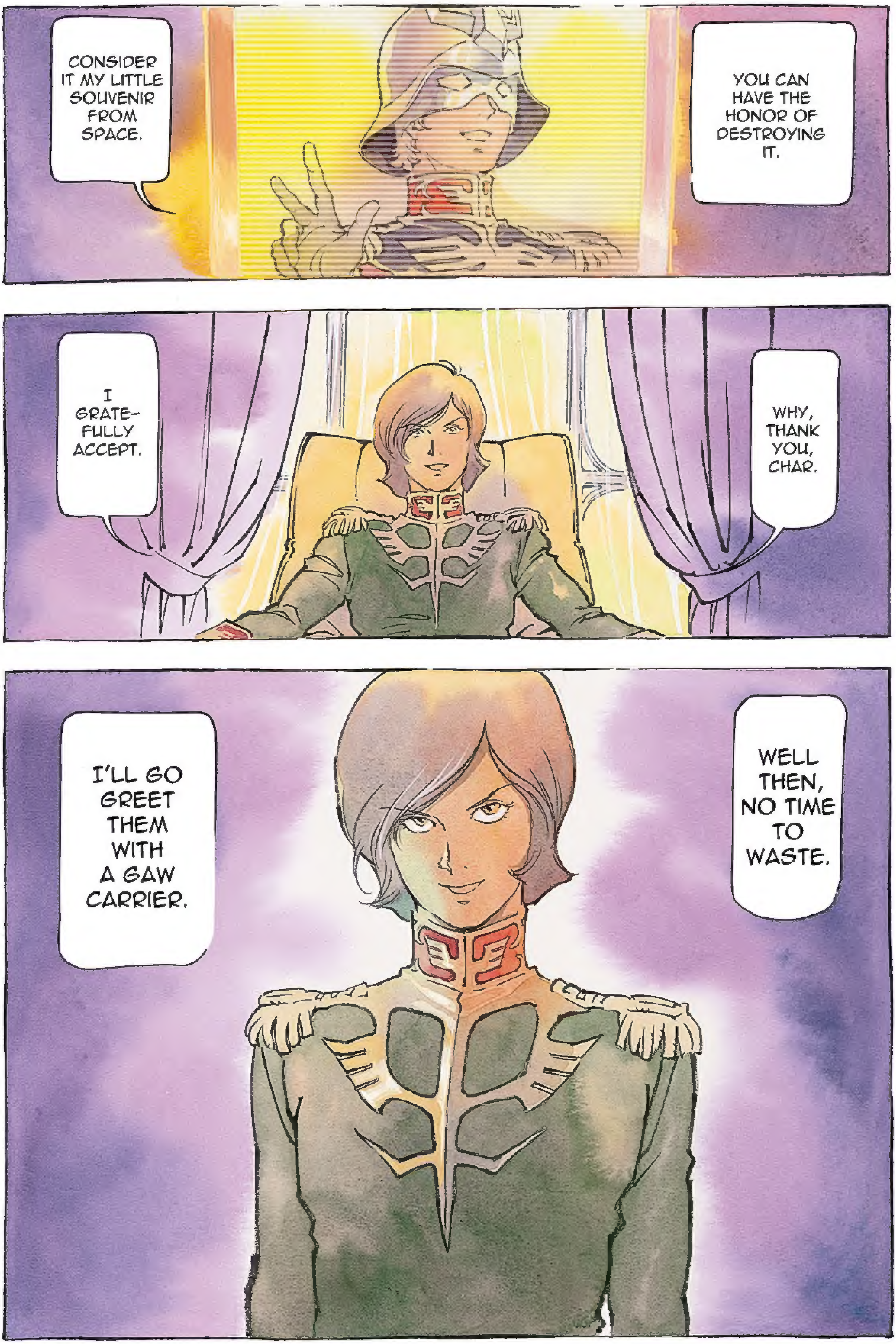



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IT'S EARTH!
EARTH!
LOOK, YOU CAN SEE THE OCEAN!
THE OCEAN!
WHAT A BLUE SKY!
MOM, YOU WERE BORN HERE, RIGHT?
YES, I WAS.
YES YES ...
AND A NATURAL SKY!
YES.
THE EARTH IS MADE OF REAL LAND AND REAL OCEANS.


DADDY AND GRANDPA, TOO.
NOT JUST YOUR MAMA ...
BIRDS AND FLOW-ERS TOO ....
ALL OF THEM.
TAKE A GOOD LOOK. WE ALL WERE BORN HERE.
THAT'S RIGHT, YOU'VE NEVER SEEN THE EARTH BEFORE, HAVE YOU, PELO?
AH.


HOLLYWOOD
HEY.
IT'S BEEN A WHILE.
I HEARD FROM HQ.
WHY, RED COMET?
DEAR COLONEL GARMA ZABI.
I MIGHT HAVE TO GIVE UP THAT SOBRIQUET ...


ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT LOSING AN ENTIRE ZAKU PLATOON?
THAT WAS THE PRICE FOR BLOWING THE COVER ON THE FEDERATION'S OPERATION V.
I'D SAY IT WAS WORTH IT.
TAILING THE ENEMY'S TRANSPORT SHIP AND NEW MOBILE SUIT, I LOST TWO MORE.
HOW WILL I EVER FACE HIS EXCELLENCY DOZLE?
BE THAT AS IT MAY
MY BROTHER ISN'T REALLY THAT PARTICULAR.
IT'S NO JOKE, IS IT?
IS IT REALLY THAT POWERFUL?
IF YOU WISH, YOU CAN FIND OUT FOR YOURSELF.
WE DIVERTED THEM OFF COURSE FROM JABURO AND DOWN TOWARD YOUR MILITARY JURISDICTION.


YOU CAN HAVE THE HONOR OF DESTROYING IT.
CONSIDER IT MY LITTLE SOUVENIR FROM SPACE.
WHY, THANK YOU, CHAR.
I GRATE-FULLY ACCEPT.
WELL THEN, NO TIME TO WASTE.
I'LL GO GREET THEM WITH A GAW CARRIER.